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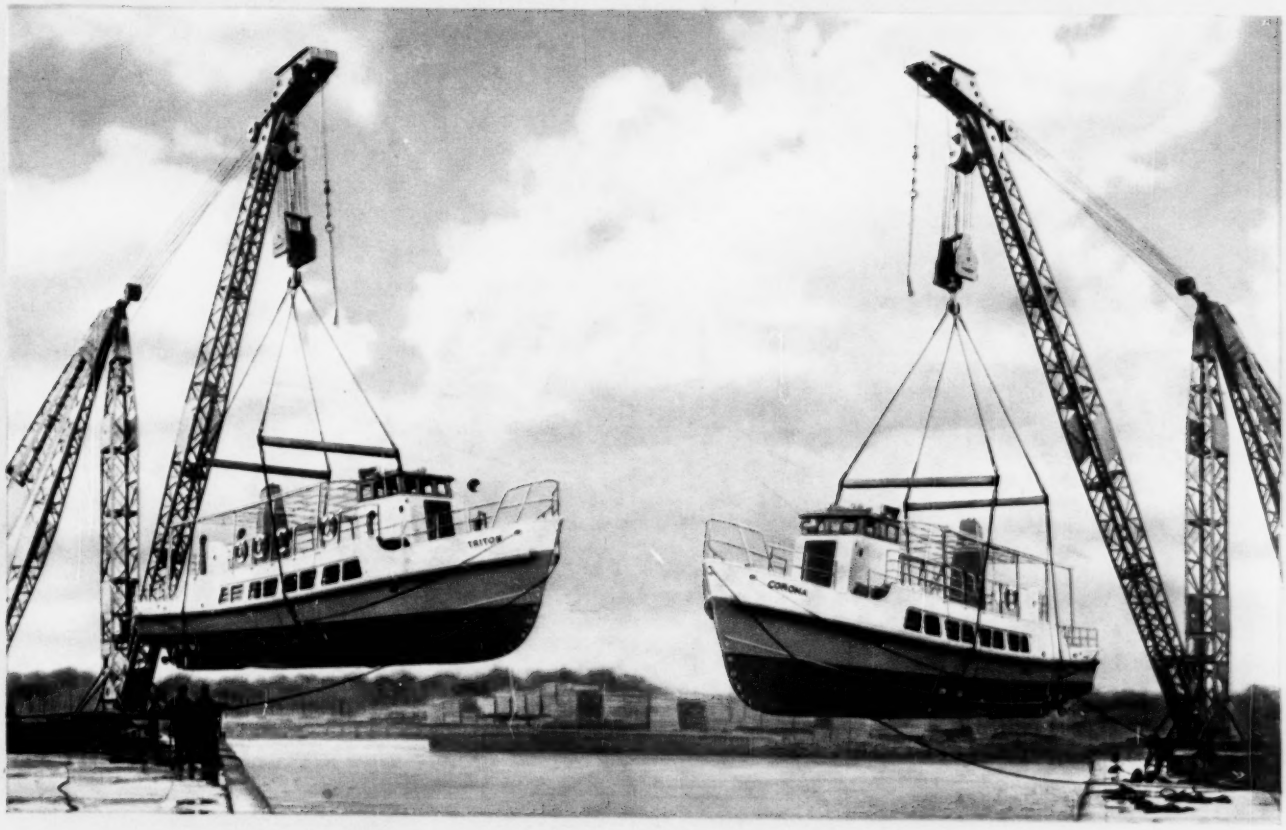

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Reliefs from Duty in the Interests of Export Trade

The article in the* Board of Trade Journal *of January 5 explained Customs export procedures and the reasons for them. This article explains various ways in which exporters may be relieved from duty on the imports which they need for their export trade.

Drawback

DRAWBACK or refund of import duty can be claimed over a wide range of goods when imported goods or goods made from them are exported. There are two kinds of drawback, 'same state' and 'materials for manufacture'. The classes of goods at present eligible for 'same state' drawback are listed in Parts 6(B)(1) and (2) of the Customs Tariff and those eligible for 'materials for manufacture' drawback in Part 6 (B) (3). Other classes can become eligible if the Treasury, on the recommendation of the Board of Trade, are satisfied that it is in the national interest. If, therefore, the goods in which you are interested are not on these lists, it is open to you to apply to the Board of Trade for a new drawback scheme, preferably through a body representing those responsible for the majority of exports of the particular type of goods.

The Board of Trade are bound under the law (the Import Duties Act, 1958), 'to have regard to the interests of those producing in the United Kingdom goods comparable with the imported articles.' An application for drawback will, therefore, have to be supported with full reasons why home-produced goods are not used for the exports and by certain other information. For further details, please write to the Board of Trade, Tariff and Import Policy Division, Horse Guards Avenue, London, S.W.1.

General Conditions. To qualify for drawback the goods must not have been used in this country, apart, of course, from use in the ordinary processes of production. Export includes delivery to a registered ship-building yard in certain circumstances, export by ship, aircraft or by post, shipment as stores and deposit in warehouses for eventual shipment as stores. The amount of drawback claimed must not exceed the amount which the goods would realise if sold for home use and evidence must be available to show that duty has been paid and not refunded.

'Same state' drawback. This relates to imported goods of the kinds listed in the Tariff which are exported without change of state in this country, but they may be incorporated in other goods which are then exported, or they may undergo in this country processes which do not change the form or character of the goods. The drawback is equal to the amount of duty paid. It can be claimed only by the importer or by someone who has taken delivery from him.

Heenan & Froude Ltd., the Worcester engineering concern which exports well over a quarter of its total production, uses distinctive 'Export' tags, usually in red, to denote priority jobs. The system has been well received in the works, and shop-floor employees pay particular attention to jobs carrying either label.

'Materials for manufacture' drawback. This covers the listed types of exports made from the listed types of imported materials. Drawback is at a fixed rate or rates which may be expressed either as

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Front Cover Photograph

Early in 1961, after an inaugural ceremony at Hamilton, Bermuda, the twin-screw passenger vessels, 'Corona' and 'Triton' shown in the illustration, entered service. Built for a cost of approximately £25,000 each, these craft are 68 ft. 6 in. long, and can carry 200 passengers. The builders, Brooke Marine Limited, of Lowestoft, are one of the leading exporters of ships up to 420 feet in length in this country, and during the past year they have carried out orders for customers ranging from Pakistan and Nigeria, to the West Indies, Australia and the South Seas. Brooke Marine are also exhibiting their 38 ft. 'Ocean Pilot' and 30 ft. 'Ocean Pirate' luxury sea-going cruisers at this year's Boat Show which closes tomorrow (See page 67).

so much per unit quantity of the imported materials contained in the exported goods, or as so much per unit quantity of the exported goods themselves. Any exporter may claim drawback even if the materials have already passed through several hands in this country.

How to obtain drawback. In the first place, evidence of payment of duty should be obtained from the Customs at importation. This is either an officially certified invoice (for 'same state' goods) or a materials certificate (for 'materials for manufacture' goods).

Where goods are transferred from the importer to another trader, the goods must be accompanied by a statement on the prescribed form, which constitutes for the customer the evidence of duty payment. It should thus normally be possible for 'drawback goods' to be identified and their progress traced throughout their stay in this country.

When the time comes to export, the exporter must notify Customs to give them an opportunity to examine the goods; this may be done either at the ship's side or, provided at least 24 hours' notice is given to the local Customs and Excise Officer, at the time and place of packing. The exporter is free to pack and dispatch the goods at the times stated by him in his 'notice to pack', whether or not the Customs Officer has arrived. To obtain evidence of export 'drawback goods' have to be produced to the Customs Shipping Officer. If everything is in order, the Customs will issued a debenture for the payment of drawback.

Further detailed information is given in Customs Notices No. 218 ('same state') and 219 ('materials for manufacture,). Everyone intending to claim drawback should, in his own interests and well in advance, seek the advice of his local Customs Officer whose address is in the telephone directory. Customs make every effort to keep their control requirements to the minimum and to use as far as possible records that are kept in any case. If the normal procedure proves difficult the Customs will try to adapt it to fit with individual cases.

Relief under Section 7 of the Import Duties Act, 1958

Some goods may be imported for re-export or for the production of goods for export and yet not be eligible for drawback. In certain circumstances, Customs may give relief from duty under Section 7 of the Import Duties Act, 1958, which is primarily intended for isolated transactions or short-term contracts. (Where there is continuing trade, application should normally be made to the Board of Trade for the introduction of new general drawback facilities.)

Relief from duty under Section 7 cannot be given unless the Board of Trade are satisfied that it is necessary in the interests of the export trade and is in the national interest. As in the case of drawback, they must consider the interests of home producers of goods similar to the imported goods, and satisfactory reasons will, therefore, have to be given for using foreign goods.

Applications under Section 7 must be made to Customs, who must be satisfied that they can keep track of the imported goods until they are exported. Further information is given in Customs Notice No. 215. Any local Customs Officer will also be pleased to advise on any points of difficulty.

Export Trade Samples Concession

United Kingdom exporters may receive without payment of import duty and/or purchase tax *bona fide* trade samples of goods from abroad which are required by them for the promotion of their export trade for one or more of the following purposes:

(a) to quote a price for British-made goods to possible buyers abroad or to execute an order for British-made goods;
(b) to assess the type of goods in demand abroad;
(c) to examine goods manufactured abroad from British materials which are alleged to have been defective;
(d) to examine goods which are to be used in conjuction with British-made goods and to test that they work together;
(e) to test or examine goods made abroad by associated houses, licensees, etc., to ensure that the foreign manufacturer maintains a sufficiently high standard of quality, etc.

Further details are given in Customs Notice No. 118.

Goods Imported for Re-export After Processing in this Country

Process Inwards Regulations

Goods of any kind which are temporarily imported for re-export after a process or repair which will not change their form or character may be imported free of duty and purchase tax. For example, bleaching

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or dyeing of textiles is allowed, but not weaving of textile yarns into fabrics or making-up of fabrics. The goods must generally be re-exported within six months, or twelve months in the case of textiles. Full details are given in Customs Notice No. 206.

Goods Returned for Repair and Return Abroad.

There are two Customs procedures covering British made goods returned for repair and return. Duty free entry can be claimed on the grounds that the goods are returned British goods (see Customs Notice No. 207) or the goods can be imported for repair and return abroad, without the need to prove British origin (see previous paragraph and Customs Notice No. 206). Where it is certain that the goods are to be returned abroad, and where they do not exceed £200 in value, it is generally quicker to use the simplified procedure, using Customs form C.217, set out in paragraph 7 of Notice No. 206.

Where the procedure set out in Notice No. 207 is used, delays sometimes occur because importers and agents believe that, to clear the goods, complete details of the original exportation must be given on Customs form C.179, but in fact only such details of earlier exportations as are readily available need be given, together with any other supporting evidence that the goods have been previously exported from the United Kingdom.

Goods Returned for Replacement

Such goods, if returned unaltered, should be dealt with in accordance with the procedure set out in Customs Notice No. 207.

General

Your local Customs Officer is always ready to advise on Customs procedures. To avoid delay in Customs clearance it is important to give your shipping and clearing agent full details and instructions about an impending import at the earliest opportunity. If you need the goods very urgently, say so, and make sure your agent tells the Customs. As a general rule, goods can be cleared immediately on deposit of duty, pending a settlement of any claim to relief from duty.

Customs Notices

You can get copies of the Customs Notices referred to in these articles from your local Customs Officer, or from the Secretary, H.M. Customs & Excise, King's Beam House, Mark Lane, London, E.C.3. (*See page* 59).

New Chairman of EFTA Council

THE CHAIRMANSHIP of the Council of Ministers of the European Free Trade Association passed by rotation to Mr. J. O. Krag, Danish Foreign Minister, for the period January 1-June 30, 1962. In a statement to mark the occasion, he said: 'One of our objectives in setting up our Association was to pave the way for a comprehensive solution to the European market problem. Recent events have, I hope, taken us a good deal nearer to this target, but at the same time they have given rise to new far-reaching problems for the Members of the Association. It will be our principal task in the New Year to find solutions to these problems so that we will be able to establish a framework for future economic co-operation, which could bring all the Western European countries closer together.'

Industrial Property Convention

THE LATEST (Lisbon 1958) revision of the International Industrial Property Convention has now been ratified by six countries and entered into force on January 4, 1962. The six countries are France, Federal Republic of Germany, Czechoslovakia, Monaco, United Kingdom and the United States of America. As from that date, it is binding upon those countries and also upon Iran and Haiti which, although they did not sign the Lisbon text, have acceded to it.

Gold and Convertible Currency Reserves, December, 1961

THE TREASURY announce that the gold and convertible currency reserves fell by £85 million to stand at £1,185 million on December 31, 1961.

Minister of State's Tour of Industrial Centres

AS ANNOUNCED in last week's *Board of Trade Journal* Sir Keith Joseph, who was appointed Minister of State to the Board of Trade in October 1961, and to whom the President has delegated special responsibility for the overseas side of the Department including export promotion activities, began an intensive tour of industrial centres in all parts of the country on January 9. His aim will be to meet as many as possible of those who are already engaged in export trade, in order to discuss with them their successes, ideas, problems or difficulties. In so far as the Parliamentary timetable and other demands on him will allow, he will seek to meet industrialists in their own offices and workshops.

On these visits he will be particularly interested to meet those concerned in market research, design and export sales.

Arrangements for the first phase of the tour are as follows: Tuesday January 16, South East London; Monday, January 22, Ipswich; Friday, January 26, Warrington; Monday, February 5, Blackpool; Thursday, February 8, Birmingham; Friday, February 9, Leicester; Tuesday, February 13, London; Thursday, February 15, North Wales; Friday, February 16, Liverpool; Tuesday and Wednesday, February 27-28, Scotland; Tuesday and Wednesday, March 6-7, West Riding; Thursday and Friday, March 15-16, Gloucestershire, Somerset and Devon; Wednesday and Thursday, March 21-22, South Wales; Thursday, March 29, Norwich; Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, April 4-5-6, the North East and Cumberland.

English Text of the Common External Tariff of 'The Six' to be Published

AS STATED in the *Board of Trade Journal* of December 22, 1961, on page 1259 the Board of Trade have prepared an English translation of the Common External Tariff of the European Community, which will be published in eleven parts, and available from H.M. Stationery Office, Kingsway, London, W.C.2, and branches. This English version has been prepared by kind permission of the Commission of the European Economic Community. It should, however, be understood that the text has not been cleared with the Commission nor with the Member Governments of the Community and that the Board of Trade are solely responsible for it.

The tariff translation is being published in parts as each section becomes available to save time and so that firms and industries can purchase separately the volumes of particular interest to them.

The first part, devoted to machinery, electrical equipment, vehicles, aircraft, vessels and certain associated transport equipment (Chapters 84-89 of the Brussels Nomenclature) is available from H.M. Stationery Office, price 4s., by post 4s. 5d.

Publication dates of the first three groups of chapters are: Chapters 25-30, January 15; Chapters 31-40, January 18; Chapters 41-49, January 23.

Copies of the translation can also be seen at the Regional Offices of the Board of Trade in Birmingham, Bristol, Cardiff, Glasgow, Leeds, London, Manchester and Newcastle. It is hoped to complete publication of the remaining ten parts of the tariff by the end of February and the order in which they will become available is as follows:

**Chapters* 25-30	Mineral products, chemicals (inorganic and organic), pharmaceuticals.
Chapters 31-40	Fertilizers, dyes, soaps, explosives, photographic and cinematographic goods, artificial resins and plastic materials, rubber and synthetic rubber.
Chapters 41-49	Raw hides and skins, leather, furskins, travel goods, handbags, wood and articles thereof, papermaking materials, paper and paperboard.
Chapters 50-63	Textiles and textile articles.
Chapters 64-72	Footwear, headgear, umbrellas, feathers, artificial flowers, fans.
Chapter 73	Base metals and articles thereof, iron and steel and articles thereof.
Chapters 74-83	Copper, nickel, aluminium, magnesium, etc., lead, zinc, tin, and articles thereof; tools, implements, cutlery.
Chapters 90-99	Optical, photographic, precision, medical and surgical instruments, clocks and watches, arms and ammunition, works of art, antiques.
Chapters 16-24	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, vinegar, tobacco.
Chapters 1-15	Live animals, animal products, vegetable products.

* The Chapter headings referred to are those of the Brussels Nomenclature. The description of the various parts is given in brief outline only.

European Productivity

Eight years of promoting productivity are reviewed in O.E.C.D.'s latest publication 'European Productivity'. Copies from H.M. Stationery Office, P.O. Box 569, London, S.E.1. 4s.

Purchase Tax on Lawn Mowers, Garden Rollers, Envelopes and Hairdressing Goods

THE TREASURY have made an Order under Section 21 of the Finance Act, 1948, entitled The Purchase Tax (No. 3) Order, 1961 (Statutory Instruments 1961 No. 2499) which makes the following changes in the Purchase Tax Schedule:

(i) The tax charge under paragraph (a) of Group 16 of the Schedule on:

'Garden rollers, lawn mowers, and lawn mower attachments, grass boxes or bags for lawn mowers or lawn mowing attachments, grass cutters and grass cutting attachments being cutters or attachments having a width of cut of less than eighteen inches, and grass boxes or bags for such cutters or attachments'

is removed.

(ii) An exemption from tax is introduced in Group 26 for:

'Envelopes of paper or paper-board or both, being not less than 9 inches long and 6 inches wide and bearing on the face the words "Printed matter" or "Printed paper rate" and having no adhesive means of closure.'

(iii) The wording of the tax charge under paragraph (b) of Group 30 (relating to hairdressing goods) is amended; this does not, in general, affect existing tax practice but simply makes it clear that this paragraph of the Group applies only to hair-waving and hair-curling outfits, e.g., home permanent waving kits.

The size restriction in the new exemption for envelopes covers envelopes of dimensions not less than 9 inches by 6 inches either way.

Date of Operation

The Order applies to goods which are despatched on sale, or appropriated to retail trade or other taxable purposes, by a registered trader on or after January 5, 1962, and to imported goods entered with the Customs (or, in the case of warehoused goods, delivered from bonded warehouse) on or after that date.

Amendment of the Statutory Tax Schedule

As from January 5, the following amendments are made in the statutory Schedule printed in heavy type in Notice No. 78:

Group 16 (pages 41 and 42). Paragraph (a) is cancelled, and paragraphs (b) and (c) are re-lettered (a) and (b).

Group 26 (page 62). The existing exemption is numbered (1) and the following is added:

'(2) Envelopes of paper or paperboard or both, being not less than 9 inches long and 6 inches wide and bearing on the face the words "Printed matter" or "Printed paper rate" and having no adhesive means of closure.'

Group 30 (page 74). The words 'Sets or outfits designed for use as hair-waving or hair-curling sets or outfits and consisting' are inserted at the beginning of the paragraph, in place of the word 'Assemblies'.

Copies of the Order may be obtained from H.M. Stationery Office, York House, Kingsway, W.C.2, and branches, or through any book seller. Price 3d. (by post 6d.).

Purchase Tax on Fireworks

THE TREASURY have made an Order under Section 21 of the Finance Act, 1948, entitled The Purchase Tax (No. 4) Order, 1961 (Statutory Instruments, 1961 No. 2500) which adds fireworks to the goods chargeable under Group 20 of the Purchase Tax Schedule. Fireworks accordingly become taxable at the rate of 25 per cent. of their wholesale value (increased, at present, by the Special Surcharge of one-tenth of the amount of the tax).

Date of Operation

The Order applies to goods which are despatched on sale or appropriated to retail trade or other taxable purposes by a registered trader on or after January 23, 1962, and to imported goods entered with the Customs or delivered from bonded warehouse for home use on or after that date.

Goods Affected

The Order applies to the types of fireworks sold to the public, and the types used at fireworks displays. It does not extend to parts of and accessories to such fireworks. Nor does it extend to articles designed for Service or marine purposes, such as signal distress rockets, Very lights and the like.

Amendment of the Statutory Tax Schedule

As from January 23, all the words in the charging heading of Group 20 (printed in heavy type on page 47 of Notice No. 78) before the word 'Exempt' are deleted and the following words are substituted:

'GROUP 20:

Comprising – Toys, games, fireworks and appliances, apparatus, accessories and requisites for sports, games, amusements, gymnastics or athletics, including coin or disc operated machines and including parts of the foregoing articles and accessories thereto.

Articles not comprised in this Group . . . 25 per cent.

Not chargeable under this Group:

1. Garments, footwear, road vehicles, bicycles, bicycle sidecars, bicycle and sidecar combinations and tricycles and parts of the foregoing articles and accessories thereto.
2. Parts of fireworks and accessories thereto.

The existing exemptions in the Group are not affected by the Order.

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Furniture Development Council Appointments

THE BOARD OF TRADE have re-appointed Sir Laurence Merriam as chairman and Mr. W. B. D. Brown and Mr. Roger Falk as independent members of the Furniture Development Council. These appointments are for the period from January 1, 1962, until December 31, 1963.

To represent the interests of persons carrying on business in the industry the following appointment and re-appointments have been made. For the period January 1, 1962, to December 31, 1963: Mr. A. Webb who succeeds Mr. S. H. Forse, Brigadier A. L. W. Rewth and Mr. C. L. Salkield and for the period January 1, 1962, to December 31, 1962, Mr. L. W. K. Alsten, Mr. W. Johnston, Mr. C. A. Lakin and Mr. Arnold Moore.

To represent the interests of persons employed in the industry: for the period January 1, 1962, to December 31, 1963, Mr. A. J. Darvill, Mr. A. C. Porter and Mr. R. S. Shube; and for the period January 1, to December 31, 1962, Mr. G. E. Amos, Mr. J. R. Shanley, Mr. E. S. Taylor and Mr. A. G. Tomkins have been re-appointed.

Mr. H. Fryer has been re-appointed to represent marketing and distribution interests for the period January 1, 1962, until December 31, 1963.

Official Receiver Appointments

MR. WILLIAM HENRY MEREDITH has been appointed Official Receiver, and Mr. Arthur John Seldon has been appointed an Assistant Official Receiver, for the Bankruptcy District of the County Courts of Ashton-under-Lyne, Oldham and Stockport, with effect from January 1, 1962.

The appointment of Mr. James Tye as Official Receiver, and the appointment of Mr. John Austin Sell as an Assistant Official Receiver, for the Bankruptcy District of the County Courts of Ashton-under-Lyne, Oldham and Stockport have been revoked with effect from January 1, 1962.

Mr. Arthur Dawes has been appointed an Assistant Official Receiver for the Bankruptcy District of the County Courts of Manchester and Salford and the Bankruptcy District of the County Courts of Hanley and Stoke-upon-Trent, Crewe, Macclesfield, Newtown, Shrewsbury and Stafford with effect from January 1, 1962.

The appointment of Mr. Arthur Dawes as an Assistant Official Receiver for the Bankruptcy District of the County Courts of Blackburn, Blackpool, Bolton, Burnley, Preston and Rochdale, has been revoked with effect from January 1, 1962.

Economic Trends

An article in the December issue of *Economic Trends* presents some results of the National Food Survey up to the end of 1960.

Household expenditure on food recorded by the Survey increased from an average of 29s. 3d. per person per week in 1959 to 29s. 8d. in 1960. Copies from H.M. Stationery Office. 3s.

World Exports of Manufactures, January-September, 1961

PROVISIONAL figures are given below of the exports of manufactures* in January-September 1961 by the main manufacturing countries other than the Soviet Union, the Eastern European countries and China. The figures are subject to revision as more complete information becomes available.

The total value of exports of manufactures by the countries included in the table was 5½ per cent. higher in the first three quarters of 1961 than in the same period of 1960. The percentage increase on a year earlier was rising slightly during the three quarters of 1961 but was much less than in any quarter of 1960 when the rate of increase, although declining from quarter to quarter, averaged 15½ per cent. for the whole year.

For particular countries the comparison of the first three quarters of 1961 with the same period of 1960 showed increases of between 10 and 15 per cent. for Italy, Western Germany, Sweden and Switzerland. For the United Kingdom substantial exports of ships are included in the 1961 period and the rise on a year earlier was 4 per cent. France and Belgium showed very small rises but France had above average increases between 1958 and 1959 and between 1959 and 1960. Exports of manufactures from the United States and Canada showed little change compared with a year earlier.

World Exports of Manufactures

U.S. $ million (percentage increase over a year earlier in brackets)

Exports of Manufactures from:	1957		1958		1959		1960		1961 Jan.-Sept.	
United Kingdom	7,678	(5·1)	7,463	(—2·4)	7,877	(5·5)	8,403	(6·7)	6,557	(4·2)
Germany (Federal Republic)	7,471	(18·2)	7,775	(4·1)	8,680	(11·6)	10,134	(16·8)	8,243	(13·3)
Belgium-Luxembourg	2,568	(0·0)	2,486	(—3·2)	2,730	(9·8)	3,130	(14·7)	2,336	(0·6)
France	3,412	(13·2)	3,617	(6·0)	4,176	(15·5)	5,077	(21·6)	3,830	(2·2)
Italy	1,627	(18·7)	1,735	(6·6)	2,024	(16·7)	2,716	(34·2)	2,313	(14·7)
Netherlands	1,498	(9·9)	1,628	(8·7)	1,888	(15·9)	2,113	(11·9)	1,650	(6·8)
Sweden	1,216	(14·8)	1,282	(5·3)	1,385	(8·0)	1,621	(17·1)	1,304	(12·5)
Switzerland	1,439	(8·4)	1,423	(—1·1)	1,545	(8·6)	1,730	(12·0)	1,358	(10·6)
United States†	10,831	(11·5)	9,772	(—9·8)	9,630	(—1·5)	11,337	(17·7)	8,390	(—0·6)
Canada	2,350	(4·7)	2,232	(—5·0)	2,391	(7·2)	2,518	(5·3)	1,872	(0·3)‡
Japan	2,538	(16·4)	2,510	(—1·1)	3,032	(20·8)	3,602	(18·8)	2,706	(4·9)
Total	42,628	(10·8)	41,923	(—1·6)	45,357	(8·2)	52,382	(15·5)	40,558	(5·4)

* Exports from the 11 countries shown of goods in Section 5 to 8 of the Standard International Trade Classification (excluding United States exports of Special Category goods). In 1957 these exports accounted for 88 per cent. of exports of these goods from all countries in the world other than the Soviet Union and Eastern European countries and China.

† Excluding Special Category goods. Goods valued at approximately $185 million were removed from the list of Special Category Goods during 1957 and this amount should be added to the figures for that year when comparing with later periods.

‡ Estimated.

C.O.I. Official Handbook 'Britain—1962'

THE 1962 EDITION OF 'Britain', an official handbook prepared by the Central Office of Information, is now available. The facts and statistics about Britain and the British people have been compiled with the co-operation of other Government departments and national organizations and cover events up to September 1961. Its 588 pages contain information on such diverse subjects as average wages and earnings, the new radio telescope interferometer at the Royal Radar Establishment near Malvern, and loans and grants made to overseas governments, including loans made under the Export Guarantees Act up to mid-1961.

Reference is made to changes in the pattern of manufacturing industries in response to technological progress, new demands from home and export markets and the introduction of new and improved materials. It is stated that the rate of expansion has been especially rapid in electronics and in most sections of electrical engineering, in almost all branches of the chemical industry and in the aircraft and motor vehicle industries.

Copies of 'Britain' may be obtained from H.M. Stationery Office. Price 25s.

New British Trade Commissioner at Canberra

MR. H. W. WOODRUFF, who is at present serving at Kuala Lumpur as the Senior British Trade Commissioner in the Federation of Malaya, Singapore, and the Borneo territories, has been appointed as a British Trade Commissioner at Canberra, Australia. He succeeds Mr. P. B. Hunt who will return to this country in January, 1962, at the end of his tour of duty. Mr. Woodruff will take up his new appointment in January, 1962. The name of his successor at Kuala Lumpur will be announced in due course.

New Brochure on 'The Common Market'

A NEW brochure entitled – 'The Common Market' – published by the Information Service of the European Community, is available. In 48 pages the brochure reviews the reasons for the creation of the European Economic Community, the programme of the Rome Treaty, and the progress made in carrying it out. It describes the institutions of the Community; the steps already taken towards a single market through the reduction of internal tariffs; the first moves towards a common external tariff; the gradual abolition of quota restrictions; and associated measures such as provision for the free movement of workers and capital within the Common Market.

A further section details the progress made towards common policies in such fields as agriculture, transport, and external trade. The future of the Community's association with African countries is also discussed, and the prospect of a wider Community opened up by recent applications for membership or association.

The brochure is obtainable from booksellers and newsagents. Price 1s.

B.o.T. Advance Factory at Pembroke

THE BOARD OF TRADE Office for Wales and the Industrial Estates Management Corporation for Wales announce that approval has been given to the allocation of the Advance Factory now nearing completion at Pembroke to Firth Cleveland Ltd., for occupation by one of their subsidiary companies engaged in light engineering.

In addition approval in principle has been given to the extension of the production space by a further 20,000 sq. ft. It is anticipated that employment will be available for some 250-350 people mainly male within two years of completion of the extension.

Increase in Industry's Capital Expenditure

REVISED ESTIMATES for the third quarter of 1961 show that the volume of capital expenditure by the manufacturing, distributive and service industries, seasonally adjusted at average 1954 prices, was about 6 per cent. higher than in the second quarter of the year. This revised figure is very slightly higher than that published at the provisional stage one month ago. As is shown by the figures in Table 1, this rise to a new peak of expenditure was brought about by increases on both sides of industry, with manufacturing expenditure 5½ per cent. higher and expenditure by the distributive and service industries nearly 7 per cent. higher than in the second quarter.

Table 1. Industry's Fixed Capital Expenditure at 1954 Prices Seasonally Adjusted (a)

£ million

Period	Manufacturing Industry (b)	Distributive and Service Industries c)	Total
1956	757	519	1,276
1957	792	552	1,344
1958	754	588	1,342
1959	707	667	1,374
1960	835	742	1,577
1957 1st quarter	205	141	346
2nd quarter	203	129	332
3rd quarter	193	145	338
4th quarter	191	137	328
1958 1st quarter	191	151	342
2nd quarter	191	136	327
3rd quarter	190	146	336
4th quarter	182	155	337
1959 1st quarter	175	144	319
2nd quarter	175	172	347
3rd quarter	175	162	337
4th quarter	182	189	371
1960 1st quarter	195	182	377
2nd quarter	200	184	384
3rd quarter	223	182	405
4th quarter	217	194	411
1961 1st quarter	231	178	409
2nd quarter	246	176	422
3rd quarter	259	188	447

The total of manufacturing industry and of the distributive and service industries covers a wide sector of the economy, accounting – after exclusion of dwellings – for 56 per cent. of total capital expenditure in 1960. The total comprises most industries and services outside agriculture, forestry and fishing, coal mining, public utilities, the public transport corporations and public administration. The excluded parts are, except for agriculture, very largely in the public sector of the economy and though some public expenditure is included, it is small; the figures are therefore very largely representative of the trend of expenditure by private industry and business.

For other footnotes, see end of article.

Manufacturing Industry

Final estimates for the third quarter of 1961 show that the total expenditure of manufacturing industry, at current prices, was £332 million, or some 21 per cent. higher than in the same quarter of 1960, with expenditure on building work up 18 per cent. and on plant and machinery up 24 per cent. The volume of fixed capital expenditure by manufacturing industry (at 1954 prices) was £256 million, or 17 per cent. higher in the third quarter of this year than in the same quarter of last year—after being 23 per cent. higher than a year earlier in the second quarter. The total seasonally adjusted volume figure (at 1954 prices) amounted to just over £259 million, 5½ per cent. more than in the second quarter (when it was 6 per cent. higher than in the first quarter).

The total expenditure of manufacturing industry, in the first three quarters of 1961, considered cumulatively, was £908 million or 24 per cent. more than in the same three quarters of the previous year. Expressed in volume terms (at 1954 prices, not seasonally adjusted) this expenditure amounted to some £714 million in the first three quarters of 1961 – or 19 per cent. more than in the same period of the previous year.

As may be seen from Table 3, manufacturing capital expenditure in the third quarter of 1961 was £58 million more, at current prices, than in the same quarter of 1960. About £45 million of this increase was attributable to expenditure on plant and machinery and just over £13 million to expenditure on new building work. Expenditure on vehicles remained virtually the same. The details provided in Table 3 about expenditure by individual groups of manufacturing industries show that one quarter of the total increase of £58 million in manufacturing expenditure (third quarter 1961 on third quarter 1960) was attributable to the metal manufacturing (mainly the iron and steel) group of industries.

Distributive and Service Industries

Revised estimates of capital expenditure by the distributive and service industries (at 1954 prices, seasonally adjusted) show that expenditure rose by nearly 7 per cent. (to £188 million) in the third quarter of 1961, compared with the second quarter of the year. This increase was only slightly higher than that shown by the provisional estimates a month ago. Allowing for seasonal factors, expenditure on both new building work and on vehicles was higher

Table 2. Fixed Capital Expenditure at Average 1954 Prices, Not Seasonally Adjusted, Showing Percentage Changes Compared with Corresponding Periods a Year Earlier (a)

Period	Manufacturing Industry (b)								Distributive and Service Industries (c)							
	Building work		Vehicles		Plant and machinery		Total		Building work		Vehicles		Plant and machinery		Total	
	£ million	% Change	£ million	% Change	£ million	% Change	£ million	% Change	£ million	% Change	£ million	% Change	£ million	% Change	£ million	% Change
1957	228·9	N/C	40·1	— 9	523·0	+ 8	792·0	+ 5	167	+ 3	255	+ 6	130	+12	552	+ 6
1958	206·9	—10	46·7	+16	499·9	— 4	753·5	— 5	175	+ 5	271	+ 6	143	+10	588	+ 7
1959	187·6	— 9	52·1	+12	467·6	— 6	707·3	— 6	201	+15	303	+12	164	+15	667	+13
1960	228·5	+22	67·8	+30	538·6	+15	834·9	+18	235	+17	334	+10	174	+ 6	742	+11
1958 1st quarter	47·0	—18	11·7	+52	122·8	— 5	181·5	— 7	45	N/C	70	+ 6	39	+19	154	+ 7
2nd quarter	53·3	— 3	12·2	+23	120·1	— 9	185·6	— 6	40	— 2	65	+ 5	32	+17	136	+ 5
3rd quarter	50·8	— 9	11·6	+12	125·3	N/C	187·7	— 2	43	+ 7	63	— 3	32	— 1	138	+ 1
4th quarter	55·8	— 8	11·2	— 7	131·7	— 4	198·7	— 5	47	+15	73	+17	40	+ 6	161	+13
1959 1st quarter	41·2	—12	12·3	+ 5	111·5	— 9	165·0	— 9	47	+ 4	63	—10	37	— 3	147	— 4
2nd quarter	42·9	—20	14·7	+20	113·2	— 6	170·8	— 8	49	+22	83	+28	40	+26	171	+26
3rd quarter	44·4	—13	11·6	N/C	116·7	— 7	172·7	— 8	48	+11	66	+ 6	39	+19	153	+11
4th quarter	59·1	+ 6	13·5	+21	126·2	— 4	198·8	N/C	57	+22	91	+23	48	+18	196	+22
1960 1st quarter	49·1	+19	15·3	+24	119·8	+ 7	184·2	+12	60	+28	82	+31	43	+15	185	+26
2nd quarter	52·0	+21	18·3	+24	124·6	+10	194·9	+14	58	+19	86	+ 4	40	N/C	184	+ 7
3rd quarter	61·2	+38	16·4	+41	142·2	+22	219·8	+27	54	+12	76	+14	43	+10	172	+13
4th quarter	66·2	+12	17·8	+32	152·0	+20	236·0	+19	63	+10	90	— 1	48	N/C	201	+ 3
1961 1st quarter	59·4	+21	16·5	+ 8	142·7	+19	218·6	+19	53	—12	85	+ 3	44	+ 3	182	— 2
2nd quarter	67·3	+29	17·9	— 2	153·7	+23	238·9	+23	55	— 5	76	—12	43	+ 8	174	— 5
3rd quarter	71·5	+17	16·3	— 1	168·2	+19	256·0	+17	57	+ 6	77	+ 1	44	+ 2	177	+ 3

than in the previous quarter, while expenditure on plant and machinery was about the same as in the previous quarter.

Compared with the third quarter of 1960, expenditure (at 1954 prices, not seasonally adjusted) on new building work was 6 per cent. higher, on vehicles was 1 per cent. higher and on plant and machinery was 2 per cent. higher. Total expenditure, as may be seen from Table 2, was 3 per cent. higher than in the third quarter of 1960.

Details of the total expenditure, at current prices, in each of four industry groups are shown in Table 4. Compared with the third quarter of 1960 expenditure by wholesale distributors and by the shipping industry was lower, while expenditure by retailers and by other industries was higher. Expenditure on all three types of assets was also greater in the third quarter of this year than in the corresponding quarter last year.

Table 3. Fixed Capital Expenditure in Manufacturing Industry at Current Prices (a) (b)

£ million

Period	Analysis by Industry Group											Analysis by Type of Asset		
	Food, Drink and Tobacco	Chemicals and Allied Industries	Metal Manufacture		Engineering, Shipbuilding and Metal Goods	Vehicles		Textiles, Leather and Clothing	Paper, Printing and Publishing	Other Manufacturing Industries	All Manufacturing Industries			
			Total	Iron and Steel		Total	Motor Vehicles							
	Standard Industrial Classification Orders													
	III	IV	V	Part of V	VI, VII and IX	VIII	Part of VIII	X to XII	XV	XIII, XIV and XVI	III to XVI	Building work	Vehicles	Plant and machinery
1956	99·0	155·0	106·3	85·1	200·1	80·0	51·2	73·3	68·0	63·2	844·9	252·7	47·2	545·0
1957	107·6	187·6	132·2	108·7	206·6	78·9	50·9	76·7	76·9	64·8	931·3	264·5	44·7	622·1
1958	112·6	197·0	143·5	128·5	204·8	69·8	44·0	63·6	65·2	65·1	921·6	247·0	52·4	622·2
1959	106·0	164·2	129·9	111·7	199·9	68·5	40·0	66·5	60·0	68·4	863·4	219·6	55·1	588·7
1960	128·1	156·7	188·7	167·1	231·2	78·9	55·4	85·8	67·9	90·9	1,028·2	267·9	70·6	689·7
1956 1st quarter	23·6	32·4	22·3	18·3	44·0	17·5	11·5	21·3	14·4	14·0	189·5	53·4	11·6	124·5
2nd quarter	24·3	36·1	27·8	21·8	45·5	17·9	11·5	17·5	15·9	15·5	200·5	61·2	12·1	127·2
3rd quarter	24·1	37·9	28·4	23·3	48·7	19·1	12·2	16·2	15·8	16·7	206·9	62·4	11·1	133·4
4th quarter	27·0	48·6	27·8	21·7	61·9	25·5	16·0	18·3	21·9	17·0	248·0	75·7	12·4	159·9
1957 1st quarter	26·2	42·6	31·1	25·8	50·1	19·2	12·6	19·0	18·6	15·8	222·6	64·9	8·3	149·4
2nd quarter	23·9	48·2	35·1	29·1	44·1	22·5	15·2	20·0	19·7	15·4	228·9	62·7	11·2	155·0
3rd quarter	26·9	44·4	33·5	27·5	50·7	18·3	11·8	17·5	17·7	17·9	226·9	65·4	11·7	149·8
4th quarter	30·6	52·4	32·5	26·3	61·7	18·9	11·3	20·2	20·9	15·7	252·9	71·5	13·5	167·9
1958 1st quarter	28·3	48·7	33·7	29·4	47·2	15·2	9·5	15·6	16·9	15·5	221·1	55·6	13·1	152·4
2nd quarter	27·9	48·4	35·5	31·7	50·5	16·9	10·5	15·1	17·6	15·2	227·1	63·6	13·9	149·6
3rd quarter	28·7	46·3	42·1	38·8	48·9	17·3	10·9	16·8	13·5	16·5	230·1	61·2	12·9	156·0
4th quarter	27·7	53·6	32·2	28·6	58·2	20·4	13·1	16·1	17·2	17·9	243·3	66·6	12·5	164·2
1959 1st quarter	24·7	44·5	28·0	25·1	45·0	16·8	11·7	12·5	15·1	15·2	201·8	48·3	13·7	139·8
2nd quarter	27·9	42·7	30·1	25·6	45·8	15·5	9·0	15·3	15·0	16·0	208·3	50·2	15·3	142·8
3rd quarter	27·1	33·9	41·6	36·9	46·8	14·8	7·6	16·6	13·0	17·7	211·5	52·3	12·1	147·1
4th quarter	26·3	43·1	30·2	24·1	62·3	21·4	11·7	22·1	16·9	19·5	241·8	68·8	14·0	159·0
1960 1st quarter	28·9	37·5	35·8	31·9	50·1	13·9	9·4	18·9	17·1	20·9	223·1	56·4	15·8	150·9
2nd quarter	31·4	37·1	40·8	35·6	51·7	18·2	10·9	22·3	14·8	21·2	237·5	60·5	18·9	158·1
3rd quarter	33·5	38·3	64·7	59·7	57·2	22·7	17·3	19·8	15·2	21·7	273·1	72·8	17·2	183·1
4th quarter	34·3	43·8	47·4	39·9	72·2	24·1	17·8	24·8	20·8	27·1	294·5	78·2	18·7	197·6
1961 1st quarter	33·9	44·2	56·3	51·6	54·6	20·7	16·8	21·7	18·3	24·2	273·9	69·7	17·4	186·8
2nd quarter	34·9	49·4	63·1	56·0	60·2	23·7	17·9	25·9	18·3	27·4	302·9	79·8	19·0	204·1
3rd quarter	33·3	50·1	79·3	73·4	64·5	29·7	22·5	26·9	19·4	28·3	331·5	86·2	17·4	227·9

Table 4. Fixed Capital Expenditure in Distributive and Service Industries at Current Prices (a) (c)

£ million

Period	Analysis by Industry Group					Analysis by Type of Asset		
	Wholesale Distribution	Retail Distribution	Shipping	Other Industries	Total			
	Standard Industrial Classification							
	810, 831, 832	820	704	XVII, Part of XIX, XXI, Part of XXII and XXIII	XVII, Part of XIX, XX, XXI, Part of XXII and XXIII	Building work	Vehicles	Plant and machinery
1956	57	103	104	299	563	181	256	126
1957	57	126	140	307	630	192	290	148
1958	73	130	147	350	700	208	324	168
1959	86	160	161	380	788	235	357	195
1960	94	172	162	443	871	272	389	209
1959 1st quarter	22	36	33	84	175	55	75	44
2nd quarter	21	39	43	99	202	57	97	47
3rd quarter	20	40	32	89	181	56	78	47
4th quarter	24	45	53	108	230	67	107	57
1960 1st quarter	20	40	38	116	214	69	95	51
2nd quarter	23	41	41	110	215	67	99	48
3rd quarter	23	44	36	99	202	63	88	51
4th quarter	28	47	47	118	240	73	107	59
1961 1st quarter	22	42	37	112	213	61	98	54
2nd quarter	22	47	25	112	206	65	87	54
3rd quarter	17	55	30	111	213	69	89	55

Notes:
(a) Expenditure on vehicles and plant and machinery less receipts from sales of these assets, and on new building work.
(b) Standard Industrial Classification Orders III to XVI.
(c) Standard Industrial Classification Order XVII (Construction); XIX (Transport and Communication) excluding 701 – Railways, 705 – Port and Inland Water Transport, 706 – Air Transport and 707 – Postal Services and Telecommunications; XX (Distributive Trades); XXI (Insurance, Banking and Finance) excluding savings departments of the Post Office and Trustee Savings Banks; XXII (Professional and Scientific Services) excluding 872 – Educational Services and 874 – Medical and Dental Services; and XXIII (Miscellaneous Services).

Industry's Stocks

Industry's Stocks Unchanged in the Third Quarter of 1961

REVISED ESTIMATES of the volume of stocks held by manufacturers and distributors show that the level was unchanged in the third quarter of 1961. The small fall shown by the figures – £1 million at 1954 prices, seasonally adjusted – is regarded as being insignificant. This standstill in the third quarter is made up of an increase in the stocks of manufacturing industry of £55 million, but this is almost exactly balanced by a fall of £56 million in the stocks held by wholesale and retail distributors. This halt in the stockbuilding in the third quarter of the year contrasts sharply with increases of £63 million and £61 million in the first and second quarters of the year respectively.

Manufacturers' Stocks

Final estimates for the third quarter of 1961 show that the volume of stocks and work in progress of manufacturing industry (at 1954 prices) rose, after seasonal adjustment, by some £55 million – a larger increase than in the first or second quarters. This increase was spread over all three assets – materials and fuel, work in progress and finished goods.

The increase in the stocks and work in progress of manufacturing industry, at book values, in the third quarter of 1961, is estimated to have amounted to some £45 million representing a rise of about 1 per cent. Although there is no change in this figure from that published at the provisional stage one month ago, the constituent figures of changes in stocks of materials and fuel, work in progress and finished goods have been slightly revised, so that the equivalent volume increase (at 1954 prices), prior to seasonal adjustment, is £25 million – slightly lower than that previously published. Seasonal adjustment in the third quarter (especially marked in its effect on stocks of finished goods) more than doubled this figure, raising it to £55 million.

As may be seen from the figures in Table 2, showing the volume of stocks (at 1954 prices, not seasonally adjusted), by six broad industry groups, that the unadjusted volume increase (£25 million) in the third quarter of the year, was primarily due to increases in the stocks of the food, drink and tobacco and the engineering, shipbuilding and vehicles groups of industries. These increases, which were largely seasonal, were mainly in the stocks of materials and fuel – partially offset by seasonal reductions in the stocks of finished goods held by the same groups of industries. The apparent slight decline in the stocks of the textiles, leather and clothing and the 'other manufacturing' groups of industries, was only of a seasonal character.

Wholesalers' Stocks

Revised estimates of the change in wholesalers' stocks (at 1954 prices, seasonally adjusted) show a decrease in the third quarter of 1961 of £21 million, compared with a decrease of £23 million shown at the provisional stage a month ago. This fall in the level of stocks follows the heavy stockbuilding by this group of trades during the latter half of 1960 and the first half of 1961. Rough allowance for seasonal factors suggests that the volume of stocks (at 1954 prices) in each of the three groups of wholesalers fell during the third quarter. The details of changes in the volume of stocks shown in Table 3 are not adjusted for seasonal factors but in fact the effect of the seasonal adjustment is to turn the increase

Table 1. Changes in the Volume (at 1954 Prices) of Stocks Held by Manufacturers and Distributors (a)

£ million

	Seasonally adjusted				Not seasonally adjusted			
	Manufacturing (b)	Distribution		Total (e)	Manufacturing	Distribution		Total
		Wholesale (c)	Retail (d)			Wholesale	Retail	
Level of stocks at December 31, 1959	4,612	774	867	6,253	4,612	774	867	6,253
Changes in stocks:								
1957	+172	+41	+40	+253	+172	+41	+40	+253
1958	+ 49	+12	+15	+ 76	+ 49	+12	+15	+ 76
1959	+ 57	+13	+44	+114	+ 57	+13	+44	+114
1960	+475	+33	+34	+542	+475	+33	+34	+542
1957 1st quarter	+ 62	+30	+16	+108	+107	+45	+49	+201
2nd quarter	+ 33	+29	+12	+ 74	+ 53	+27	— 5	+ 75
3rd quarter	+ 54	—12	+ 3	+ 45	+ 33	+10	+ 1	+ 44
4th quarter	+ 23	— 6	+10	+ 27	— 21	—41	— 5	— 67
1958 1st quarter	+ 23	—10	+ 2	+ 15	+ 70	+ 6	+29	+105
2nd quarter	— 3	—14	— 4	— 21	+ 19	—16	—13	— 10
3rd quarter	+ 29	+22	+ 8	+ 59	+ 2	+43	+ 6	+ 51
4th quarter	N/C	+14	+ 9	+ 23	— 42	—21	— 7	— 70
1959 1st quarter	— 38	+14	— 7	— 31	+ 11	+30	+21	+ 62
2nd quarter	— 26	+ 3	+33	+ 10	— 5	N/C	+23	+ 18
3rd quarter	+ 35	— 1	— 3	+ 31	+ 10	+22	— 5	+ 27
4th quarter	+ 86	— 3	+21	+104	+ 41	—39	+ 5	+ 7
1960 1st quarter	+ 58	— 6	+28	+ 80	+107	+10	+65	+182
2nd quarter	+114	+17	+32	+163	+135	+13	+12	+160
3rd quarter	+149	+16	—21	+144	+121	+40	—23	+138
4th quarter	+154	+ 6	— 5	+155	+112	—30	—20	+ 62
1961 1st quarter	+ 8	+27	+28	+ 63	+ 67	+44	+57	+168
2nd quarter	+ 29	+ 8	+24	+ 61	+ 54	+ 5	+13	+ 72
3rd quarter	+ 55	—21	—35	— 1	+ 25	+ 4	—38	— 9

Industry's Stocks (*Continued*)

shown by group 831 (dealers in coal, builders merchants, etc.) into a small fall.

Retailers' Stocks

The volume of retailers' stocks (at 1954 prices, seasonally adjusted) fell by £35 million in the third quarter of 1961. Further details of the changes during the period can be seen in the *Board of Trade Journal* of November 17, 1961, page 1022.

Table 2. Changes in the Volume (at 1954 Prices) of Stocks Held by Manufacturing Industry (a) (b)

£ million

	Analysis by Industry Groups							Analysis by Type of Asset		
	Food, Drink and Tobacco	Chemicals and Allied Industries	Metal Manufacture	Engineering, Shipbuilding and Vehicles	Textiles, Leather and Clothing	Other Manufacturing Industries	All Manufacturing Industries			
	Standard Industrial Classification Orders							Materials and fuel	Work in progress	Finished goods
	III	IV	V	VI-IX	X-XII	XIII-XVI	III-XVI			
Level of stocks at December 31, 1959	705	425	335	2,021	665	461	4,612	1,863	1,614	1,135
1956	+ 3	+24	+28	+165	—13	+14	+221	+ 51	+102	+ 68
1957	+20	+41	+23	+ 37	+39	+12	+172	+ 47	+ 75	+ 50
1958	— 7	+12	— 5	+ 43	+ 4	+ 2	+ 49	— 82	+ 18	+113
1959	+22	+21	— 7	+ 25	—13	+ 9	+ 57	+ 33	+ 26	— 2
1960	+49	+34	+63	+226	+48	+55	+475	+205	+117	+153
1956 1st quarter	+29	— 7	— 5	+ 69	— 1	+ 3	+ 88	+ 4	+ 49	+ 35
2nd quarter	+ 1	+17	+11	+ 66	— 5	+ 3	+ 93	— 16	+ 52	+ 57
3rd quarter	+ 2	+23	+26	+ 3	—19	+ 1	+ 36	+ 52	+ 5	— 21
4th quarter	—29	— 9	— 4	+ 27	+12	+ 7	+ 4	+ 11	— 4	— 3
1957 1st quarter	+83	+ 2	— 5	+ 21	+ 6	N/C	+107	+ 36	+ 28	+ 43
2nd quarter	—19	+23	+ 7	+ 28	+10	+ 4	+ 53	— 30	+ 55	+ 28
3rd quarter	—10	+12	+31	N/C	N/C	N/C	+ 33	+ 38	+ 27	— 32
4th quarter	—34	+ 4	—10	— 12	+23	+ 8	— 21	+ 3	— 35	+ 11
1958 1st quarter	+11	— 9	+ 3	+ 39	+19	+ 7	+ 70	— 22	+ 18	+ 74
2nd quarter	— 8	+ 3	+ 6	+ 20	— 7	+ 5	+ 19	— 61	+ 17	+ 63
3rd quarter	N/C	+ 9	— 5	+ 25	—20	— 7	+ 2	+ 14	+ 3	— 15
4th quarter	—10	+ 9	— 9	— 41	+12	— 3	— 42	— 13	— 20	— 9
1959 1st quarter	+24	— 7	—12	— 8	+ 8	+ 6	+ 11	— 3	— 1	+ 15
2nd quarter	+ 7	+ 7	+ 2	— 4	—16	— 1	— 5	N/C	+ 11	— 16
3rd quarter	+12	+10	+ 4	— 3	—16	+ 3	+ 10	+ 38	+ 12	— 40
4th quarter	—21	+11	— 1	+ 40	+11	+ 1	+ 41	— 2	+ 4	+ 39
1960 1st quarter	+19	—11	+12	+ 47	+30	+10	+107	+ 31	+ 17	+ 59
2nd quarter	+16	+15	+13	+ 61	+16	+14	+135	+ 48	+ 56	+ 31
3rd quarter	+10	+18	+30	+ 43	+10	+10	+121	+100	+ 20	+ 1
4th quarter	+ 4	+12	+ 8	+ 75	— 8	+21	+112	+ 26	+ 24	+ 62
1961 1st quarter	+15	— 1	+ 7	+ 8	+22	+16	+ 67	+ 20	+ 18	+ 29
2nd quarter	— 2	+ 8	— 2	+ 22	+17	+11	+ 54	— 4	+ 39	+ 19
3rd quarter	+ 6	+12	+ 5	+ 21	—17	— 2	+ 25	+ 52	+ 10	— 37

Table 3. Changes in the Volume (at 1954 Prices) of Stocks Held by Wholesalers (a) (c)

£ million

S.I.C. M.L.H.			1st quarter	2nd quarter	3rd quarter	4th quarter	Year	Level of stocks at December 31, 1959
810	Wholesale distributors	1959	+36	+ 3	— 6	—25	+ 8	526
		1960	+31	+10	+19	—38	+22	
		1961	+55	+ 1	— 2			
831	Dealers in coal, builders' materials, etc.	1959	— 9	+ 2	+14	— 3	+ 4	71
		1960	—11	N/C	+ 9	+ 5	+ 3	
		1961	—11	+ 2	+ 7			
832	Dealers in industrial materials and machinery.	1959	..	..	..	..	+11	177
		1960	—10	+ 3	+12	+ 3	+ 8	
		1961	N/C	+ 1	— 1			

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Industry's Stocks (*Continued*)

Table 4. Changes in the Value (at Book Values) of Stocks Held by Manufacturers and Distributors (a)

£ million

		1st quarter	2nd quarter	3rd quarter	4th quarter	Year	Level of stocks at December 31, 1959
Manufacturers (b)	1957	+156	+ 55	+ 79	— 37	+253	5,948
	1958	+ 48	+ 15	— 19	— 24	+ 20	
	1959	+ 18	+ 12	+ 27	+ 80	+137	
	1960	+128	+181	+128	+161	+598	
	1961	+110	+102	+ 45			
Wholesalers (c)	1957	+ 53	+ 21	+ 13	— 33	+ 54	818
	1958	— 8	— 8	+ 37	— 15	+ 6	
	1959	+ 17	+ 5	+ 25	— 24	+ 23	
	1960	+ 7	+ 18	+ 53	— 33	+ 45	
	1961	+ 41	+ 15	+ 10			
Retailers (d)	1957	+ 60	— 6	+ 3	— 2	+ 55	945
	1958	+ 36	— 16	+ 5	— 4	+ 21	
	1959	+ 20	+ 22	— 3	+ 6	+ 45	
	1960	+ 68	+ 15	— 19	— 20	+ 44	
	1961	+ 73	+ 19	— 30			
Total (e)	1957	+269	+ 70	+ 95	— 72	+362	6,811
	1958	+ 76	— 9	+ 23	— 43	+ 47	
	1959	+ 55	+ 39	+ 49	+ 62	+205	
	1960	+203	+214	+162	+108	+687	
	1961	+224	+136	+ 25			

Notes Relating to Tables 1, 2, 3 and 4:

(a) The estimates are shown to the nearest £ million, but should not be regarded as accurate to this degree.
(b) Standard Industrial Classification Orders III-XVI.
(c) S.I.C. Minimum List Headings 810, 831 and 832. (d) S.I.C. Minimum List Heading 820. (e) S.I.C. Orders III-XVI and XX.

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* Shelves adjustable on 3 in. centres

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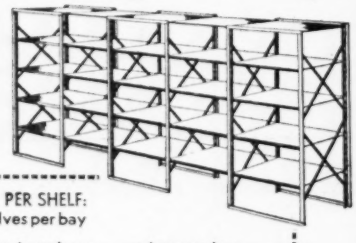

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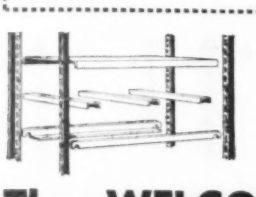
6ft. high x 3ft. wide bays with 4 shelves per bay

	first bay in each run	subsequent bays
24 in. deep	£7. 3 .0	£5. 9.6
30 in. deep	£7.11 .0	£5.17.6
36 in. deep	£7.19.0	£6. 5.6



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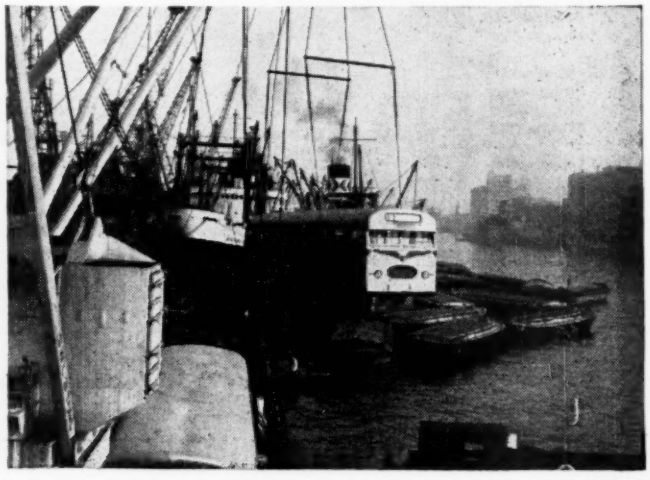
BUSES FOR ARGENTINA



One of the first batch of buses to be shipped by Leyland Motors Ltd., against the £3¾ million contract which they recently gained from Argentina, seen being loaded at London docks. The contract called for 390 complete buses and 100 bus chassis, many of which will be used to replace tram services in Buenos Aires.

Hong Kong Newsletter

Issue No. 8 (November/December, 1961) of the 'Hong Kong Newsletter' is the first to be distributed since the formation of the Hong Kong Association which has been created to facilitate and foster trade and goodwill between the United Kingdom and Hong Kong. Inquiries should be addressed to the Association at 54 Old Broad Street, London, E.C.2.

Few Changes in Wholesale Prices in December

APART from further increases, partly seasonal, in the prices of some materials used in, and products of, the food industries, wholesale prices in December were, on average, much the same as in October/November.

Basic Materials and Fuel

A further rise of 0.5 per cent. in the provisional December index was again mainly due to higher prices, partly seasonal, of certain foods and materials used in the food industry. Among the more important non-food items the price of raw rubber rose slightly and there was a small fall in the price of carbonizing coal. Fuel prices were steady.

Materials and Fuel used in Broad Sectors of Industry

The higher provisional index in December of materials and fuel used in the food manufacturing industries was partly accounted for by seasonal price increases in home-grown cereals and meat (including bacon-factory pigs). Higher prices of some finished steels were mainly responsible for the rise in the price index for materials and fuel used in the mechanical engineering industries. The average prices of materials and fuels used in the other broad sectors of industry were little changed.

Output Indices – All Manufactured Products

The further increase in December in the average prices of home market sales of all manufactured products again reflected higher prices for products of the food and drink industries.

Output of Broad Sectors of Industry

Higher average prices for food products were mainly accounted for by dearer grain milling products and compound feeding-stuffs. There was a slight fall in sugar prices.

Prices of non-food products were mostly steady. Certain finished steels were dearer as were knitted goods, but on the other hand there were reductions in the prices of some items including cotton and spun rayon yarns, wool tops and some coal-tar products.

1. Materials Purchased by Broad Sectors of Industry — 1954 = 100

(monthly averages)

1958 Standard Industrial Classification Minimum List Headings		1960	1961											
		Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	March	April	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Orders III to XVI	Basic materials and fuel used in manufacturing industry	101·0	100·6	100·7	100·9	101·5	101·5	100·7	100·6	100·7	100·2	99·4*	100·0*	100·5*
	Basic materials	97·0	96·6	96·6	96·8	97·4	97·5	96·6	96·5	96·5	95·9	95·0*	95·6*	96·1*
	Fuel	131·8	131·8	131·8	132·7	132·7	132·2	132·2	132·6	§133·8	133·8	133·8*	134·2*	134·2*
211 to 229	Materials and fuel used in the food manufacturing industries	95·4	94·7	93·9	93·1	93·8	93·7	92·8	92·7	92·4	91·6	90·8*	92·9*	95*
331 to 349 (excluding 342)	Materials and fuel used in the mechanical engineering industries	126·0	126·6	127·0	127·7	127·8	128·4	128·3	128·6	128·7	128·7	128·4*	128·4*	128·7*
361	Materials and fuel used in the electrical machinery industry	116·7	116·7	116·9	117·3	117·5	118·5	118·7	118·9	118·9	118·9	118·8*	118·9*	119·0*
Order X	Materials and fuel used in the textile industries	92·5	92·6	94·0	94·3	94·7	95·3	93·5	92·8	92·7	92·0	91·1*	91·1*	91·0*
Order XVII	Construction materials	116·2	116·4	116·8	117·3	117·4	117·8	118·0	118·8	118·9	118·8	119·1*	119·2*	119·3*
Part of Order XVII	House building materials	115·8	116·3	116·6	117·2	117·3	117·6	117·8	118·6	118·6	118·6	118·9*	119·1*	119·1*

2. Output of Broad Sectors of Industry — 1954 = 100

(monthly averages)

1958 Standard Industrial Classification Minimum List Headings		1960	1961											
		Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	March	April	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Orders III to XVI	All manufactured products: Total sales	114·0	114·4	114·4	115·0	114·9	115·3	115·4	115·7	116·4	116·5	116·5*	116·7*	116·8*
	Home market sales	114·1	114·3	114·6	115·1	115·2	115·5	115·8	116·1	116·9	117·1	117·1*	117·3*	117·5*
211 to 229	Products of the food manufacturing industries: Home market sales	107·4	106·7	106·4	106·4	107·1	107·6	107·3	107·2	107·2	107·1	107·2*	107·9*	108·6*
263 to 277	Chemicals and allied industries: Total sales	103·0	102·4	103·6	103·9	104·0	103·6	103·2	102·7	102·9	102·6	102·6*	102·7*	102·8*
	Home market sales	104·8	104·8	105·3	105·4	105·4	105·5	105·2	104·7	105·2	105·0	104·9*	105·1*	105·1*
311 and 312	Iron and steel industries: Total sales	126·0	126·0	125·8	125·7	125·5	125·2	125·9	126·6	126·1	126·4	126·4	126·5*	126·8*
	†Home market sales	128·6	128·9	128·9	128·9	128·9	129·0	129·4	130·2	130·2	130·2	130·2	130·3	130·7*
Order X	Textile industries other than clothing: Total sales	103·5	104·8	104·4	105·3	105·4	105·6	104·6	105·1	104·7	104·7	104·0	103·8*	103·9*
	Home market sales	102·9	103·4	103·8	104·4	104·3	104·6	104·2	104·2	103·9	104·0	103·9	103·5*	103·7*
Order XII	Clothing and footwear: Home market sales	107·6	108·0	108·2	108·3	108·5	108·7	108·9	109·1	109·2	109·3	109·3	109·5*	109·5*
481 to 483	Paper industries: Home market sales	108·3	108·4	108·7	109·2	109·4	109·5	109·8	110·2	110·2	110·5	110·5	110·6*	110·9*
Order XVII	New construction‡	114			116			116			116			120*

* Provisional figure.
† The index for Blast Furnaces and Iron and Steel Melting and Rolling: Home Market Sales (Minimum List Headings 40, 41 of the 1948 Standard Industrial Classification) has been discontinued. An equivalent index is published in Table 3 (a) of this article under the title 'Other steel goods (excluding tubes).'
‡ Index of building costs; figures relate to average for the quarter.
§ Revised figure.

Wholesale Price Index Numbers (*Continued*)

3 (a). Commodities Produced in the United Kingdom — 1954 = 100

Commodities are listed by industries (as defined in the Standard Industrial Classification 1958) whose principal products they are. The Standard Industrial Classification references appear in the article on wholesale price index numbers published in the *Board of Trade Journal* of February 26, 1960.

(monthly averages)

	1960	1961			
	Dec.	June	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Coal†	147·0	142·5	142·3	147·1*	147·2*
Slates	139·2	141·1	141·1	141·1	141·1
Salt	104·8	107·2	107·2	107·2	112·9
Flour	104·6	107·7	110·9	112·2	113·0
Sugar, refined	108·4	111·3	107·6	106·6	104·9*
Chocolate and sugar confectionery	101·5	102·0	101·7	101·7*	101·7*
Beer	92·3	94·8	101·1	101·1*	101·1*
Tobacco and cigarettes	115·4	117·0	126·8	126·8	126·8
Hard coke	163·8	163·8	163·8	163·8	163·8
Motor spirit, standard grade (including duty)	102·8	102·8	109·4	109·4	109·4
Medium fuel oil (950 secs.)	119·4	138·9	140·8	140·8	140·8
Lubricating oils and greases	114·2	121·5	121·5	122·2	122·2*
General chemicals	104·8	103·8	103·7	103·7*	103·4*
Pharmaceutical chemicals‡	¶	81·1	78·7	77·3*	76·5*
Pharmaceutical preparations‡	¶	99·8	102·0	102·1	102·0*
Toilet preparations	116·2	118·6	120·1	120·1*	120·1*
Paint for building and decorating	108·2	110·3	111·9	112·6*	112·6*
Soap	129·0	129·0	130·6	132·8*	133·4*
Soapless detergents	103·5	103·6	97·8	97·8	97·8
Synthetic resins and plastic materials‡	83·4	82·3	79·5	78·7*	78·7*
Steel sheets	126·3	126·6	127·0	127·0	126·8
Tinplate	113·8	114·3	115·4	115·4	115·4
Other steel goods (excluding tubes)	129·0	129·6	130·6	130·6	130·6*
Steel tubes	131·5	134·0	133·7	133·7	133·7*
Iron castings	135·9	140·3	140·3	140·4	140·4*
Aluminium and aluminium alloy products:					
Extruded and drawn	129·8	132·3	132·3	132·3	132·3
Rolled	130·4	132·4	132·4	132·4	132·4
Castings	128·4	128·8	128·8	128·8	128·8
Forgings	124·4	128·7	128·7	128·7	128·7
Brass, ingot 65-35, B.S. 1400: B3, delivered	104·4	108·1	101·7	102·4	103·1
Photographic paper and films, etc.	115·5	117·5	117·8	117·8	117·8*
Spectacles, etc.	111·2	111·5	115·6	115·6	115·6
Dental goods	120·1	124·6	125·7	125·8	125·8*
Gramophone records	111·3	111·0	115·7	115·7	115·7
Domestic electrical appliances	102·6	101·8	101·8	101·8*	101·6*
Perambulators, etc.	114·0	116·6	116·6	116·6	116·6
Tools and implements	133·3	137·9	140·5	140·5	141·6*
Cutlery	126·4	126·7	127·1	127·8	127·8
Cutlery (other than razors and razor blades)	122·9	122·9	121·8	123·9	123·9
Spoons and forks	126·1	126·9	127·2	127·2	127·2
Galvanized cisterns, tanks and cylinders	126·9	132·9	132·9	136·2	139·0*
Domestic hollow-ware	132·4	135·4	138·3	138·3	138·3*
Domestic gas appliances	106·5	108·2	108·3	108·3	108·3
Cotton yarn	101·9	99·4	95·7	94·7	94·0
Spun rayon yarn	100·5	100·5	95·6	95·3	95·0*
Irish linen yarns (wetspun)	100·9	101·1	101·1	101·1	101·1
Cotton cloth	108·0	107·5	104·2	102·9	102·9*
Linen	102·7	103·0	103·0	103·0*	103·0*
Rayon and acetate fabric	122·0	124·4	124·4	124·4	124·4*
Wool tops	74·0	81·6	77·4	77·4	77·0
Worsted yarns	84·7	91·2	88·2	88·2	88·2
Harris tweed	93·7	93·7	93·7	93·7	93·7
Serge cloth	87·3	91·5	90·6	90·2	90·5
Jute yarn	152·3	140·8	123·2	119·7	118·2
Jute piece-goods	141·6	132·5	118·5	115·0	113·2
Rope, twine and net	114·0	112·9	112·2	112·6	111·2
Hosiery and other knitted goods	94·4	95·0	95·3	95·4*	95·6*
Carpets and rugs	113·7	113·8	113·8	113·8*	113·8*
Canvas goods and sacks	106·4	102·7	105·2	102·8	105·0
Leather for footwear	§105·6	§108·2	107·9	107·9*	107·9*
Travel goods	115·0	116·7	117·3	117·3	117·3
Made-up clothing	106·8	108·2	108·5	108·7*	108·8*
Weatherproof outerwear	98·9	101·6	101·5	101·7*	101·7*
Men's and boys' tailored outerwear	109·9	110·3	110·5	110·5*	110·5*
Women's and girls' tailored outerwear	103·0	104·8	105·2	105·3	105·3*
Women's and girls' light outerwear	105·7	105·7	106·0	106·9*	106·9*
Footwear (excluding rubber)	109·5	110·0	110·6	110·7	110·7*
Refractory goods, including bricks	128·7	129·4	129·4	129·4	129·4
Non-refractory goods, including bricks	120·1	121·7	122·6	122·6	122·6*
Building bricks, common, other than fletton, *ex works*	121·0	123·9	124·0	124·0	124·0*
Building bricks, fletton, common, *delivered*	117·5	117·5	115·8	115·8	115·8
Electrical porcelain	117·4	117·4	122·5	122·5	122·5
Domestic china and earthenware	122·3	126·9	128·4	128·4	128·4*
Glass (other than containers)	121·6	123·4	123·9	124·1*	124·6*
Glass containers	116·5	116·5	122·2	122·3	122·3*
Cement, delivered	113·2	118·5	120·0	120·0	120·0
Abrasive paper and cloth	115·6	123·4	123·4	123·4	123·4*
Cast stone and cast concrete products	103·3	104·8	§108·9	108·9	108·9*
Home grown hardwood	95·4	98·2	101·6	101·8	101·8
Domestic furniture	113·7	113·6	113·8	114·0*	114·1*
Bedding, etc.	105·4	105·8	106·0	106·0	106·0
Wooden boxes, packing cases, crates, etc.	113·6	113·8	113·6	113·8	114·1
Paper and board	109·3	110·0	109·6	109·7	109·6*
Cardboard boxes, cartons and fibreboard packing cases	105·1	106·8	109·0	109·1	109·5*
Wallpaper	123·5	123·5	123·5	131·2	131·2
Paper bags	106·7	112·2	112·2	112·2	112·2
Manufactured stationery	112·3	114·7	116·3	116·3	116·3*
Other manufactures of paper and board	103·0	105·6	104·5	104·4	104·4*
Rubber tyres and tubes	124·3	123·2	121·1	121·1	121·1

¶ Revised series. New Index numbers from January, 1961 appeared in the *Board of Trade Journal* of December 15, 1961 (page 1221).

Table 3 (a) Continued on next page

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Wholesale Price Index Numbers (*Continued*)

3 (a) (*Continued*). Commodities Produced in the United Kingdom — 1954 = 100

(monthly averages)

	1960	1961			
	Dec.	June	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Rubber goods (other than tyres and tubes)	117·9	117·9	117·9	118·8	118·8*
Rubber footwear	126·5	126·5	126·5	126·5	126·5
Linoleum and felt base	123·9	125·3	132·2	132·2	132·2
Brushes and brooms	122·8	125·0	§126·0	§126·0	§126·0
Toys and games	112·3	114·6	114·7	114·7	114·7*
Sports equipment	120·9	125·2	126·2	126·2	126·2*
Pens and pencils	109·5	110·7	112·8	112·8	112·8*
Other stationers' goods	125·5	125·5	125·5	125·5	125·5
Plastic mouldings	102·0	102·1	101·9	101·9	101·9*

* Provisional figure.
† This index is based on prices ruling on the last day of each month.
§ Revised figure.
‡ Revised Series. The following table shows price index numbers for years 1955-1957 and for months of 1958-1960 and June-September 1961 for the new series 'Synthetic Resins and Plastic Materials.'

Year	Annual Average	Year	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Annual Average
1955	97·0	1958	93·0	93·0	93·0	93·0	93·0	92·9	92·8	92·8	90·7	89·1	89·1	89·0	91·8
1956	95·3	1959	88·5	88·5	88·4	88·1	88·0	88·1	88·0	88·0	87·9	87·9	87·8	87·8	88·1
1957	92·8	1960	86·5	86·5	86·8	86·8	86·8	86·8	86·6	85·8	85·6	85·2	84·6	83·4	86·0
		1961	83·5	83·5	83·3	83·1	82·5	82·3	81·9	80·2	79·7				

3 (b). Commodities Wholly or Partly Imported into the U.K. — 1954 = 100

(monthly averages)

	1960	1961			
	Dec.	June	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Hides and skins	100·4	104·7	100·9	99·8	99·0*
Imported	108·9	107·7	107·7	108·2	106·9
Native	87·5	100·1	90·6	87·1	87·1*
Non-ferrous metals:					
Aluminium, virgin ingot, delivered	119·2	119·2	119·2	119·2	119·2
Copper, ex-ship, wharf or warehouse	92·9	95·1	92·0	92·2	92·5
Lead, ex-ship, wharf or warehouse	67·4	67·1	64·9	62·6	62·7
Nickel, refined, delivered	123·3	123·3	135·6	135·6	135·6
Tin, ingot, min. 99·75 per cent., settlement price	110·5	124·2	131·3	133·9	131·9
Zinc, ex-ship, wharf or warehouse	105·7	101·0	91·9	88·9	91·2
Oils, resins and gums:					
Linseed oil, crude, naked, ex-works	127·1	139·0	150·6	145·0*	149·7*
Palm oil, c.i.f., in bulk	98·2	102·4	99·4	99·4	99·4
Whale oil, acid, soft, naked, ex-works	115·9	115·9	65·8	59·2	61·4*
Pyrites, c.i.f. United Kingdom ports	63·2	61·5	62·8	62·8	62·8*
Rubber, No. 1 R.S.S. one month future	126·1	124·2	121·2	112·3	114·8
Sulphur, crude (for acid making), c.i.f.	75·4	71·7	72·1	72·1	72·1
Textiles:					
Coir yarn, c.i.f. United Kingdom ports	136·1	147·8	§162·3	164·1	160·7*
Cotton, raw	75·9	74·9	74·0	74·2	74·5*
Jute, raw, 'Mill Lightnings,' c.i.f. Dundee	195·2	157·5	148·0	140·6	140·3
Silk, raw, delivered mill	99·1	105·5	105·3	105·4	105·4*
Sisal, East Africa No. 1 Grade, c.i.f. London	120·2	109·8	98·9	94·4	100·9
Wool, raw	71·9	79·4	74·2	74·6	73·8*
medium and coarse crossbred, c.i.f. U.K.	85·9	88·0	87·2	86·7	85·4
fine crossbred, c.i.f. U.K.	73·9	81·6	75·7	76·3	74·8
merino, c.i.f. U.K.	64·4	74·1	67·3	68	67·3
Timber:					
Imported hardwood (ex-yard or wharf)	112·1	112·4	111·7	111·6	111·6*
Imported plywood (delivered to consumers)	98·9	98·9	99·1	99·0	99·0*
Imported softwood (delivered to consumers)	107·1	107·6	106·6	106·7	106.8
Woodpulp, imported	99·5	101·0	98·9	98·7	98·4*

* Provisional figure.
§ Revised figure. The Index number for 'Coir Yarn' for September has been revised to 158·9.

Index Numbers of Wholesale Prices — June 30, 1949 = 100

The index numbers of wholesale prices related to 1954 = 100 superseded those previously published on the base June 30, 1949 = 100. For the convenience of those who use the index numbers in long-term contracts to take account of changes in costs of materials, the Board of Trade have continued to publish certain indices on the basis June 30 1949 = 100 and this is the last issue in which they appear. These indices are the ones relating to materials used in broad sectors of industry and to output of broad sectors of industry. From January 1958 the index numbers shown below have been given the month to month movements of the nearest equivalent index in the 1954 = 100 series.

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Wholesale Price Index Numbers (*Continued*)

A. Materials Used in Broad Sectors of Industry
June 30, 1949 = 100

	1961			
	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Basic materials (excluding fuel) used in non-food manufacturing industry.	139·5	138·1	137·5*	137·3*
Fuel used in manufacturing industry§ . . .	189·0	189·0	189·6*	189·6*
Materials used in mechanical engineering industries .	193·4	192·9*	192·9*	193·4*
Materials used in the electrical machinery industry .	184·4	184·3*	184·4*	184·6*
Materials used in the textile industries . . .	129·5	128·2	128·1*	128·0*
Building and civil engineering materials . . .	151·9	152·2*	152·4*	152·5*
House building materials	153·3	153·7*	154·0*	154·0*

B. Output of Broad Sectors of Industry
June 30, 1949 = 100

1948 Standard Industrial Classification Minimum List Headings		1961 Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
20-149, 170-199, less 82 and parts of 30, 36 and 83	All manufactured products other than fuel, food and tobacco . . .	148·8	148·9*	149·1*	149·2*
31, 32, 33, 34 and 35	Chemical and allied products	142·3	142·2*	142·5*	142·5*
40, 41, 43 and 44	Iron and steel . . .	184·1	184·1	184·2	184·8*
40 and 41	Products of blast furnaces and iron and steel melting and rolling . . .	191·7	191·7	191·7	191·7*
110-117, 119-129	Textile products other than clothing. . . .	133·0	132·9	132·4*	132·6*
118, 140, 141, 142, 147, 148, and part of 190/2	Clothing and footwear .	123·8	123·8	124·0*	124·0*
150-162	Products of food manufacturing industries .	157·8	157·9*	159·0*	160·0*
180, 181, 182, and 183	Paper products . .	148·0	148·0	148·5	148·6*
Part of 200, 201 and 202	Building and civil engineering other than repairs† .	142			147

* Provisional figure.
† This is an index of building costs; its method of construction and its limitations were described in the *Board of Trade Journal* of May 12, 1956. The index numbers are based on 1954 average = 100 and are calculated quarterly, the figure shown under each end-quarter month being an average for the quarter. Revised figure for March 1961 = 142.
§ Revised figure for 'Fuel used in manufacturing industry' for August is 189·0.

Notes on Wholesale Prices

In future, the notes on index numbers of wholesale prices (1954 = 100) will be published only in the annual article, which normally appears in February. They were last published in the issue of May 12, 1961.

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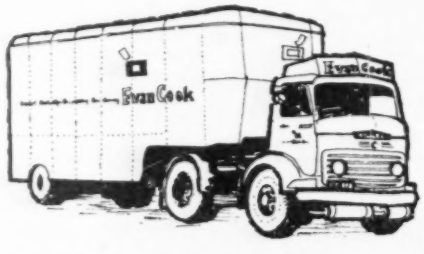

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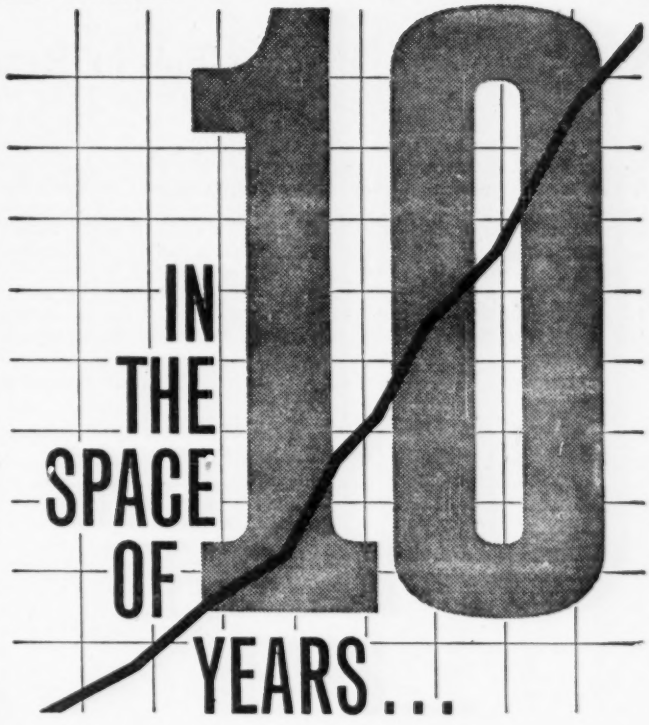

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Further Fall in Retail Sales in November

THE STEADY fall in the value of retail sales since the record level in July and August continued in November. Final calculations for that month indicate a lower level of sales than was provisionally estimated and the seasonally adjusted index is now 114 in whole number terms compared with 115 in October and 117 in the record months; the unrounded index number fell a full point between October and November. The volume of sales, which had risen in October in spite of the fall in the value of sales, fell by about 1½ points in November and in whole number terms the index was 109 compared with 111, the lowest level since the beginning of the year.

The value of sales by food shops rose by a full point from 114 to 115 in November but the volume index, which fell slightly, remained at 109 in whole number terms. The value of sales by non-food shops, however, fell by just over two points, the index, in whole number terms falling from 117 to 114. Each of the main categories of non-food shops showed falls, with durable goods shops showing a further slight fall to a new low level for the year. The volume of sales by non-food shops fell by about two points.

Compared with a year earlier the value of sales was 5 per cent. higher compared with 3 per cent. higher in October, but sales were particularly low in November last year.

Retail Sales Seasonally Adjusted

Index numbers of value of sales per week.

(i) at current prices — 1957 = 100

	All kinds of shops	Food shops	Non-food shops			
			Total	Clothing and footwear shops	Durable goods shops	Other non-food shops (a)
1960 1st Quarter	110	108	113	110	122	111
2nd Quarter	111	108	113	112	118	113
3rd Quarter	111	109	113	114	108	115
4th Quarter	112	111	112	116	99	114
1961 1st Quarter	113	111	116	117	114	117
2nd Quarter	115	112	117	115	119	118
3rd Quarter	117	114	119	117	117	121
1960 October	112	110	113	118	101	115
November	109	110	109	112	97	112
December	114	113	114	118	100	116
1961 January	112	110	114	114	111	116
February	112	110	116	117	111	116
March	115	112	119	119	118	119
April	115	112	118	114	120	119
May	115	113	117	114	117	119
June	114	111	117	115	121	116
July	117	113	121	115	130	121
August	117	114	119	120	115	120
September	116	115	117	117	107	121
October	115	114	117	119	102	120
November	114	115	114	117	100	119

(ii) at average 1957 prices

	All kinds of Shops	Food Shops	Non-Food Shops
1960 1st Quarter	108	103	113
2nd Quarter	109	105	112
3rd Quarter	109	105	112
4th Quarter	108	106	110
1961 1st Quarter	110	105	114
2nd Quarter	111	107	114
3rd Quarter	111	107	115
1960 October	109	105	111
November	106	105	107
December	110	108	112
1961 January	109	105	112
February	109	105	113
March	111	106	116
April	112	108	115
May	111	107	114
June	110	105	113
July	112	107	118
August	111	107	114
September	110	108	112
October	111	109	111
November	109	109	109

(a) Including general department stores.

Clothing and Footwear Shops

The seasonally adjusted index of sales by clothing and footwear shops declined slightly from 119 in October to 117, the same as for the third quarter as a whole. Compared with a year earlier, when the trade of clothing and footwear shops was very quiet, total sales (unadjusted) in November were 5 per cent. higher compared with an increase of 1 per cent. in October. But taking October and November together the increase was much the same as in the third quarter as a whole (3 per cent. compared with 2 per cent.); and sales by each of the three major kinds of business showed similar trends. Prices of clothing and footwear showed about the same increase on a year earlier as in recent months, between 1 per cent. and 2 per cent.

Durable Goods Shops

The slowing up in the rate of decline in the sales by durable goods shops continued in November, when the seasonally adjusted index fell by only 2 points as against 5 in October and much sharper falls in August and September. Sales, however, reached a further low level for the year and were at the same level as in December 1960 when they were only slightly above the low point reached in November after the reimposition of hire purchase restrictions at the end of April, 1960. Total sales in November

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Analysis by Form of Organization

November – Index Numbers of Values of Sales per week, and Percentage Changes Compared with a Year Earlier (*a*)

1957 = 100

	Total all retailers		Independent retailers		Multiple retailers		Co-operative societies	
ALL KINDS OF BUSINESS	122	+5	115	+4	140	+7	112	+1
FOOD SHOPS	115	+5	109	+4	141	+10	107	Nil
Grocers	118	+5	108	+3	148	+12	109	Nil
Butchers	108	—1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Greengrocers, fruiterers	105	+14	104	+15	116	+15	101	+9
Fishmongers, poulterers	111	Nil	..	..	..	..	..	..
Bread and flour confectioners	120	+6	117	+5	159	+11	96	—1
Off-licences	124	+9	118	+7	134	+13	..	..
Dairymen	118	+5	..	..	..	..	110	+3
Other food shops	112	+3	..	..	..	..	..	..
NON-FOOD SHOPS	128	+5	..	..	..	..	..	..
Clothing and footwear shops	128	+5	121	+6	137	+4	130	+3
Footwear shops	123	+1	121	Nil	125	+2	118	—3
Men's wear shops	121	+6	109	+5	135	+8	123	+2
Women's wear shops of which:	131	+5	124	+6	143	+3	136	+5
Women's, girls' and infants wear specialist shops	..		127	+10	..		—	
Drapers and general outfitting shops	—		123	+5	..		—	
Large (c)	—		128	+3	—		—	
Medium (c)	—		119	+6	—		—	
Small (c)	—		121	+7	—		—	
Durable goods shops	123	+2	117	+1	132	+5	137	Nil (f)
Furniture shops	129	+6	130	+5	127	+7	—	
Large (c)	—		126	+4	—		—	
Medium and small (c)	—		131	+5	—		—	
Other durable goods shops	115	—1	104	—3 (e)	135	+3*	—	
Radio and electrical goods shops	104	—1	104	—3	106	+8	—	
Radio and cycle shops, cycle shops, perambulator shops								
Electricity showrooms	164	—1	—		164	—1	—	
Gas showrooms	N.A.		—		N.A.		—	
Miscellaneous non-food shops (b)	128	+6	..		..		..	
Confectioners, tobacconists, newsagents	117	+6	117	+6	113	+7	—	
Booksellers, stationers	..		140	+6	..		—	
Chemists, photographic goods dealers (d)	124	+8	108	+7	147	+10	126	+3
Jewellers	126	+4	126	+4	128	+3	—	
Leather goods, sports goods, toys and fancy goods shops	129	+4	..		..		—	
Ironmongers and hardware shops	112	+5	111	+4	124	+10	—	(f)
General Department Stores	143	+4	—		—		—	

* Provisional.

Retail Sales (*Continued*)

Index Numbers of Values of Sales per Week, and Percentage Changes Compared with Year Earlier (*a*)

(i) Analysis by broad groups: value and volume

1957 = 100

(Sales in 1957 £ million)	All kinds of business (£7,637 m.)				Food shops (£3,619 m.)				Non-food shops									
									Total (£4,018 m.)				Clothing and footwear shops (£1,188 m.)		Durable goods shops (f) (£739 m.)		General department stores (£381 m.)		Miscellaneous non-food shops (b) (£1,710 m.)	
	Value		Volume*		Value		Volume*		Value		Volume*									
		%		%		%		%		%		%		%		%		%		%
1958 Year	103	+3	101	+1	103	+3	100	Nil	103	+3	102	+2	100	Nil	105	+5	103	+3	104	+4
1959 Year	107	+4	105	+4	106	+3	101	+1	108	+5	109	+6	104	+4	118	+12	109	+5	107	+3
1960 Year	111	+4	108	+3	109	+3	105	+3	113	+4	112	+3	113	+8	112	—5	116	+7	113	+5
1961 Year to Date¶	111	+4	107	+2	111	+4	105	+3	112	+4	109	+1	111	+4	110	Nil	115	+5	113	+5
1960 4th Quarter	126	+3	123	+2	117	+4	111	+4	135	+2	133	Nil	140	+8	124	—12	150	+6	133	+4
1961 1st Quarter	106	+4	103	+3	109	+3	104	+3	103	+5	101	+3	98	+10	105	—7	106	+10	105	+7
2nd Quarter	111	+2	107	+1	111	+3	105	+1	112	+2	109	Nil	115	Nil	106	+1	110	+3	112	+4
3rd Quarter	112	+5	107	+2	111	+4	105	+3	114	+5	109	+2	110	+2	111	+7	116	+5	116	+5
1961 July	117	+5	112	+3	113	+3	106	+2	121	+6	118	+4	118	+2	123	+15	137	+8	119	+4
August	109	+6	104	+3	110	+6	104	+3	108	+6	103	+3	104	+7	103	+5	100	+7	115	+6
September	111	+3	106	+1	111	+5	105	+3	112	+3	107	—1	110	—1	106	+2	111	+1	116	+5
October	117	+3	112	+2	113	+4	108	+4	121	+3	116	Nil	122	+1	119	+1	130	+2	120	+5
November	122	+5	116	+3	115	+5	109	+4	128	+5	123	+2	128	+5	123	+2	143	+4	128	+6

(ii) Analysis by kind of business: value only

(Sales in 1957 £ million)	Food shops														Clothing and footwear shops					
	Grocers (£2,048 m.)		Butchers (£519m.)		Greengrocers, fruiterers (£272 m.)		Fishmongers, poulterers (£73 m.)		Bread and flour confectioners (£218 m.)		Off-licences (£112 m.)		Dairymen (£324 m.)		Other food shops (£53 m.)		Footwear shops (£187 m.)		Men's wear shops (£255 m.)		Women's wear shops (£746 m.)	
		%		%		%		%		%		%		%		%		%		%		%
1958 Year	103	+3	102	+2	104	+4	105	+5	104	+4	104	+3	102	+2	104	+4	102	+2	98	—2	101	+1
1959 Year	107	+4	102	Nil	104	Nil	107	+2	106	+3	107	+3	105	+3	109	+4	107	+6	103	+5	104	+3
1960 Year	110	+3	107	+5	103	—1	112	+4	111	+4	112	+5	109	+4	111	+2	118	+10	112	+9	112	+8
1961 Year to Date¶	112	+3	106	Nil	110	+7	113	+3	116	+5	101	+8	116	+7	109	Nil	117	+3	110	+3	109	+4
1960 4th Quarter	117	+3	116	+5	95	—1	117	+6	117	+7	175	+5	113	+4	117	+1	139	+10	132	+9	144	+7
1961 1st Quarter	109	+3	108	+1	104	+5	115	+7	110	+6	95	+6	113	+5	108	Nil	98	+12	103	+8	96	+10
2nd Quarter	111	+3	104	+2	121	Nil	113	Nil	115	+4	99	+8	118	+9	109	—1	125	—2	115	—1	113	+1
3rd Quarter	112	+4	103	—1	111	+14	114	+3	120	+6	102	+10	116	+8	107	—2	121	+2	109	+2	108	+2
1961 July	114	+3	101	—1	123	+8	117	+1	121	+5	105	+12	117	+8	105	—2	128	+3	120	+1	114	+2
August	111	+5	102	+1	109	+17	115	+6	119	+7	99	+9	114	+8	106	—1	113	+6	105	+7	101	+8
September	112	+4	105	—2	102	+17	110	+3	120	+6	101	+9	115	+9	110	—3	123	Nil	104	Nil	109	—1
October	114	+4	109	—1	98	+16	110	Nil	120	+5	107	+6	118	+6	114	+1	130	+3	109	+1	124	+1
November	118	+5	108	—1	105	+14	111	Nil	120	+6	124	+9	118	+5	112	+3	123	+1	121	+6	131	+5

(Sales in 1957 £ million)	Durable goods shops (f)						Miscellaneous non-food shops					
		Other durable goods shops										
	Furniture shops (£324 m.)	Total (£352 m.)	Radio and electrical goods shops, Radio and cycle shops, perambulator shops (£290 m.)	Electricity showrooms (£33 m.)	Gas showrooms (£30 m.)		Confectioners, tobacconists, newsagents (£699 m.)	Booksellers, stationers§ (£69 m.)	Chemists, photographic goods dealers (d) (£205 m.)	Jewellers (£71 m.)	Leather goods, sports goods, toys and fancy goods shops (£63 m.)	Ironmongers and hardware shops (£184 m.)
	%	%	%	%	%		%	%	%	%	%	%
1958 Year	105 +5	104 +4	100 Nil	123 +23	122 +22		102 +2	106 +6	103 +3	102 +2	102 +2	104 +4
1959 Year	116 +10	118 +14	108 +8	177 +44	157 +29		102 Nil	109 +3	109 +6	109 +8	106 +4	106 +2
1960 Year	112 —3	109 —8	99 —8	158 —11	148 —6		106 +4	117 +8	115 +5	118 +8	114 +7	108 +2
1961 Year to Date¶	113 +2	105 —2	94 —2	158 +1	N.A.		108 +5	119 +5	116 +8	109 +5	106 +5	109 +3
1960 4th Quarter	121 —10	122 —15	116 —16	163 —11	144 —12		116 +4	139 +3	140 +8	168 +7	162 +8	116 +1
1961 1st Quarter	107 —4	103 —11	94 —10	145 —7	146 —18		106 +6	117 +6	105 +11	96 +10	84 +10	105 +3
2nd Quarter	110 +1	101 +1	90 +1	158 —5	148 +6		105 +3	113 +8	116 +6	101 +4	102 +4	110 +2
3rd Quarter	115 +7	104 +8	92 +5	167 +16	152 +17		110 +4	118 +3	125 +7	125 +4	123 +5	110 +5
1961 July	132 +11	113 +20	98 +15	202 +38	161 +28		109 +3	122 +3	132 +6	130 +2	122 +2	113 +3
August	107 +7	98 +4	89 +2	144 +11	141 +10		110 +4	109 +4	124 +6	126 +1	125 +8	116 +7
September	108 +3	101 +1	90 —1	158 +3	153 +15		111 +5	121 +3	121 +9	121 +7	121 +6	103 +5
October	120 +4	116 —2	106 —4	166 +1	157 +9		112 +6	123 +5	114 +5	106 +4	109 +3	112 +4
November	129 +6	115 —1	104 —1	164 —1	N.A.		117 +6	140 +6	124 +8	126 +4	129 +4	112 +5

§ Independent retailers only. ¶ January to November. * At average 1957 prices.

were 2 per cent. higher than a year earlier, which compares with increases of 1 per cent. in October and 7 per cent. in the third quarter. Sales by furniture shops continued at a higher level than a year earlier (6 per cent. higher in November, 4 per cent. in October and 7 per cent. in the third quarter), and sales by 'other durable goods shops'* continued at rather below the level of a year earlier in November, when sales were 1 per cent. lower com-

* The group comprising radio and electrical goods shops, radio and cycle, etc., shops, electricity and gas showrooms.

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pared with 2 per cent. in October, as against an increase of 8 per cent. in the third quarter. Prices of durable goods in November showed about the same increase on a year earlier as in recent months—between 1 and 2 per cent.

Food Shops

As mentioned above, the volume of sales by food shops (seasonally adjusted) fell in November while the value of sales increased. Increases in the price of groceries and provisions and fruit and vegetables accounted for this. Total sales in November by food shops (unadjusted) showed an increase on a year earlier (5 per cent.) which was about the same as the increase shown in October and the third quarter (4 per cent.); and the sales by grocers, bread and flour confectioners, and greengrocers followed a similar trend. Dairymen and off-licences continued to report higher sales than a year earlier, although trade was quieter than in the third quarter; while sales by butchers continued at slightly below the year earlier level.

Notes

Kind of Business Statistics

(i) These statistics are based on returns from independent retailers (organizations, other than co-operative societies and general department stores, with one to nine branches), multiple retailers (organizations, other than co-operative societies and general department stores, with 10 or more branches), retail co-operative societies and general department stores.

(ii) For independent retailers, multiple retailers and general department stores the figures are based on the total sales, of all types of goods, by each shop and therefore represent the trend of sales in specified kinds of business. Co-operative societies report their sales on a departmental basis and a department's sales are assigned to the most closely corresponding kind of business heading. A single figure is returned for the departments selling durable goods and ironmongery and hardware and this figure is included in the total for durable goods shops.

(iii) Multiple retailers and co-operative societies report sales for all branches open in the sales period, so that, in respect of these two forms of organizations, the statistics take account of changes in the number of shops, e.g. the opening of new shops or the closing or disposal of existing shops. In the case of independent retailers and general department stores, however, sales are generally reported for individual establishments and no reliable measure of changes in the number of shops is available on the basis of which an adjustment might be made.

(iv) A description of the series, based on 1957 = 100, was given in the *Board of Trade Journal* of February 10, 1961.

Footnotes to Tables

(a) The periods covered by the index numbers consist of either four or five weeks, each quarter being divided into three 'monthly' periods of four, four and five weeks respectively. The period covered by November 1961 sales was the four weeks from October 29 to November 25, the corresponding period in 1960 was from October 30 to November 26. As the figures are based on the value of sales, they are affected by price movements including changes in purchase tax.

(b) Includes figures for variety and other general stores which are not published separately.

(c) These descriptions are based on 1957 turnover groupings. Large denotes shops with sales of £100,000 and over in 1957. Medium denotes shops with sales of £15,000 and under £100,000 in 1957. Small denotes shops with sales of under £15,000 in 1957.

(d) These index numbers do not allow for chemists' receipts under the National Health Service, which are as far as possible excluded by contributors in their returns.

(e) Includes radio and electrical goods shops and radio and cycle shops, cycle shops, perambulator shops.

(f) See Note (ii) above.

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Little Change in Hire Purchase Business in November

NEW BUSINESS on hire purchase and other instalment credit terms showed little change in trend in November; the rise for household goods shops and the decrease for finance houses, where motor vehicle business predominates, were both attributable in large measure to normal seasonal influences. Total instalments outstanding again declined, the end month total being £931 million, £11 million less than a month earlier.

Household Goods Shops

The value of sales on hire purchase, etc. by household goods shops rose further in November but, as in October, this rise was no greater and possibly slightly less than would be expected under normal seasonal influences. Compared with a year earlier there was again little change. As in October, the two main sub-divisions showed divergent movements, the sales of furniture and furnishings shops being about 5 per cent. higher than in November 1960, while for hardware, radio, electrical, etc. shops there was a small decrease. Hire purchase and other instalment credit sales by department stores were much the same as a year earlier.

Finance Houses

The decrease in new instalment credit extended by finance houses between October and November was largely seasonal. Compared with 1960 both months showed decreases of about 5 per cent. Among the types of goods, credit advanced for new cars was over one-fifth higher than in November 1960. Credit for caravans was also well up, but there were sizeable falls in commercial vehicles and motor cycles and credit for used cars was slightly less. Instalments outstanding direct to finance houses by hirers, etc. were, at £628 million, £11 million less at the end of November than a month earlier. There was also outstanding to finance houses some £55 million, the same as a month earlier, from retailers on block discounted business.

Debt

Table 1 – Estimates of Hire-Purchase and Other Credit Instalments Outstanding

END OF PERIOD — £ million

	Year	Jan.	Feb.	March	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Owed directly to household goods shops	1959	234	240	243	249	257	265	274	281	292	299	311	327
	1960	330	333	336	338	338	335	331	327	324	322	322	325
	1961	321	315	312	308	306	306	306	305	303	303	303	
Owed directly to finance houses	1959	338	352	369	389	412	438	462	470	488	501	513	522
	1960	534	547	573	599	614	621	630	633	628	623	620	610
	1961	607	607	622	631	643	651	662	660	650	639	628	
Total of above	1959	572	592	612	638	669	703	736	751	780	800	824	849
	1960	864	880	909	937	952	956	961	960	952	945	942	935
	1961	928	922	934	939	949	957	968	965	953	942	931	

Table 2 – Hire-Purchase and Other Instalment Credit Extended and Repaid

£ million

Period	All Transactions					Estimated Consumer Transactions				
	New Credit Extended			Repayments	Change in Debt	New credit extended	Cash Outlay			Change in Debt
	For Household goods	For other durable goods	Total				Deposits	Repayments	Total	
1958	289	363	652	544	+108	531	164	431	595	+100
1959	410	523	933	640	+293	760	96	518	614	+242
1960	310	519	829	743	+ 86	638	112	611	723	+ 27
1959 1st Quarter	89	118	207	151	+ 56	167	21	123	144	+ 44
2nd Quarter	98	152	250	159	+ 91	202	27	130	157	+ 72
3rd Quarter	103	132	235	158	+ 77	194	25	128	153	+ 66
4th Quarter	120	121	241	172	+ 69	197	23	137	160	+ 60
1960 1st Quarter	90	152	242	182	+ 60	190	26	147	173	+ 43
2nd Quarter	75	156	231	184	+ 47	176	32	153	185	+ 23
3rd Quarter	66	117	183	187	— 4	140	28	153	181	— 13
4th Quarter	79	94	173	190	— 17	132	26	158	184	— 26
1961 1st Quarter	65	136	201	202	— 1	150	31	163	194	— 13
2nd Quarter	71	164	235	212	+ 23	175	36	163	199	+ 12
3rd Quarter	74	126	200	204	— 4	152	31	150	181	+ 2
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New Business of Household Goods Shops

Table 3– Index Numbers of Value of Goods Sold on Hire-Purchase and Other Instalment Credit per Week

Average of 1957 = 100

		Year	Jan.	Feb.	March (a)	April	May	June (a)	July	Aug.	Sept. (a)	Oct.	Nov.	Dec. (a)
Furniture and Furnishings Shops	Total (multiple and independent retailers, co-operative societies)	1959	123	115	109	119	123	124	136	122	137	151	159	167
		1960	122	113	111	121	102	90	101	92	102	112	120	124
		1961	97	90	98	102	104	104	121	102	106	117	126	
	of which: Multiple retailers (b)	1959	138	123	119	125	128	135	151	137	155	163	174	195
		1960	138	125	116	134	107	94	101	91	99	111	119	125
		1961	98	95	99	106	108	114	125	106	110	121	131	
	Independent retailers	1959	114	109	102	113	115	111	121	107	119	136	142	143
		1960	107	102	103	110	93	83	100	89	99	110	114	120
		1961	94	83	92	95	95	92	109	94	99	109	115	
Hardware, Radio, Electrical Goods, Cycle and Perambulator Shops	Total (multiple and independent retailers, co-operative societies, gas and electricity showrooms)	1959	136	131	110	140	148	138	144	138	153	163	161	162
		1960	126	130	126	124	105	96	92	90	98	109	108	114
		1961	92	96	97	99	104	104	125	96	99	105	105	
	of which (multiple and independent): Radio and electrical goods shops	1959	116	104	79	103	99	89	100	100	114	133	129	136
		1960	105	97	83	87	62	57	58	59	66	78	76	82
		1961	66	61	56	62	64	63	77	56	60	69	69	
	Cycle shops, cycle and radio shops, perambulator shops	1959	140	94	109	134	150	136	148	146	165	161	151	190
		1960	116	121	117	134	110	103	110	103	109	107	105	158
		1961	100	96	101	118	119	115	139	118	110	116	112	
Department Stores: Household goods department		1959	145	116	108	143	140	135	151	113	150	174	180	179
		1960	140	116	120	140	121	101	128	100	117	137	143	138
		1961	133	119	117	123	124	111	156	109	119	141	143	
Total, Household Goods Shops		1959	131	123	109	131	136	131	141	129	146	159	162	165
		1960	125	122	119	124	105	94	99	92	101	112	116	120
		1961	97	95	99	102	106	105	125	100	104	113	117	

(a) Average of five weeks.
(b) Multiple retailers are defined as those having ten or more branches.

New Business of Finance Houses

Table 4 – Index Numbers of New Hire-Purchase and Other Instalment Credit Extended Direct to Hirers per Calendar Month

Monthly average of 1957 = 100

	Year	Jan.	Feb.	March	April	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Private cars – new	1959	163	129	168	195	172	170	168	86	123	157	160	143
	1960	188	182	255	249	199	154	146	113	110	106	94	70
	1961	116	173	234	206	241	224	242	139	111	114	115	
Private cars – used	1959	136	148	188	194	201	218	206	173	175	171	154	140
	1960	160	191	250	240	178	155	150	149	129	121	113	92
	1961	131	179	204	183	218	201	195	143	110	118	108	
Commercial motor vehicles—new and used	1959	187	161	173	190	196	201	204	151	179	188	176	176
	1960	201	211	261	242	233	214	199	165	173	186	184	154
	1961	195	212	246	221	238	235	240	163	142	154	144	
Motor cycles, side-cars, power-assisted cycles – new and used	1959	82	109	174	207	209	233	232	178	177	150	106	88
	1960	100	133	225	244	208	164	148	144	118	97	82	59
	1961	71	108	171	160	184	161	160	135	85	73	59	
Caravans – new and used	1959	82	107	167	182	189	212	213	172	181	177	136	118
	1960	113	162	233	254	264	168	156	148	126	108	83	54
	1961	74	137	220	219	242	248	226	188	146	159	123	
Farm equipment and tractors	1959	136	146	181	207	164	231	204	193	166	157	136	98
	1960	108	131	159	157	176	173	162	151	122	153	163	94
	1961	128	123	195	195	195	217	201	169	132	150	128	
Industrial and building plant and equipment	1959	156	146	202	203	167	210	220	167	190	215	199	197
	1960	207	205	273	261	270	267	231	205	231	253	245	194
	1961	251	239	312	311	360	315	346	233	239	272	263	
Household goods (a)	1959	196	160	154	188	186	200	211	188	242	270	241	263
	1960	242	204	213	177	172	142	139	137	131	141	142	136
	1961	138	114	126	120	136	123	133	115	107	118	119	
All goods (including goods not shown above)	1959	154	145	178	196	194	209	204	159	178	187	171	163
	1960	180	188	244	232	201	170	169	151	139	138	132	110
	1961	144	168	207	190	220	204	207	150	123	131	125	

(a) Includes pedal cycles and some mopeds; mopeds are generally classified with motor-cycles but some returns do not distinguish mopeds from pedal cycles.

Notes on the Statistics

The statistics in this article are derived from monthly returns made to the Board of Trade by two types of contributor – household goods shops and finance houses. The household goods shops give the value of the goods sold on credit, which includes the initial deposits or down payments as well as the credit extended (i.e., the balance of the cash price together with the credit charges), during the period. From these figures the index numbers of credit sales per week given in Table 3 are derived. These figures include all household goods sold on credit by the retailers concerned, whether they themselves finance the credit extended or whether this is financed by another organization, for example a finance house. The contributors comprise electricity and gas showrooms, co-operative societies,

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department stores and multiple and independent retailers. Clothing shops, mail order houses and credit traders calling on customers for orders are not included.

The contributing finance houses, on the other hand, send in figures of the value of new credit extended during the month. Down payments on the articles are not included. These figures form the basis of Table 4. In so far as goods sold by the household goods shops, whose credit sales comprise Table 3, are financed by direct agreements made between a finance house and the buyer, the new credit extended would also figure in Table 4, as well as being part of the value of sales covered by Table 3.

Both types of contributor also return monthly totals of instalments outstanding to them at the end of each period. These figures are brought together in Table 1. The estimates of debt owed direct to household goods shops relate to agreements entered into between customers and retailers. These estimates include the amounts outstanding on agreements which are subsequently discounted by finance houses. The debt outstanding on agreements made direct between finance houses and retail customers is, however, excluded from the debt owed to shops and included in the total of instalments owed to finance houses. This total does not include the amounts which have been discounted with finance houses. Included with finance houses are some manufacturers who finance credit sales of their own products.

Table 2 gives total credit transactions of finance houses and household goods shops combined together with estimates for transactions of consumers (as distinct from business users of instalment credit). For further details see Economic Trends No. 95. September, 1961 (published by H.M. Stationery Office, 3s.).

Tables 1, 3, and 4 are based upon estimates derived from the Census of Distribution for 1957.

The estimates in £'s million of goods sold on hire-purchase and other instalment credit during 1957, on which Table 3 is based, are: Furniture and furnishings shops, 138·32; of which multiple retailers, 58·76 and independent retailers, 59·80; hardware, radio and electrical goods shops, electricity and gas showrooms, cycle and perambulator shops, 153·92; of which radio and electrical goods shops 81·12 and cycle shops, etc., 17·68; department stores (household goods departments), 22·36. Total, household goods shops, 314·60.

The estimates in £'s million of the amount of new hire-purchase and other instalment credit extended in 1957 by finance houses, on which Table 4 is based, are: private cars (new), 55·96 and (used), 122·36; commercial motor vehicles, 46·25; motor cycles, etc., 32·33; caravans, 7·03; farm equipment and tractors, 7·53; industrial and building plant and equipment, 17·02; household goods (including pedal cycles), 49·01; and all goods, 350·57.

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673,062	Abbey, A.	Guiding means for annular flow of fluids.
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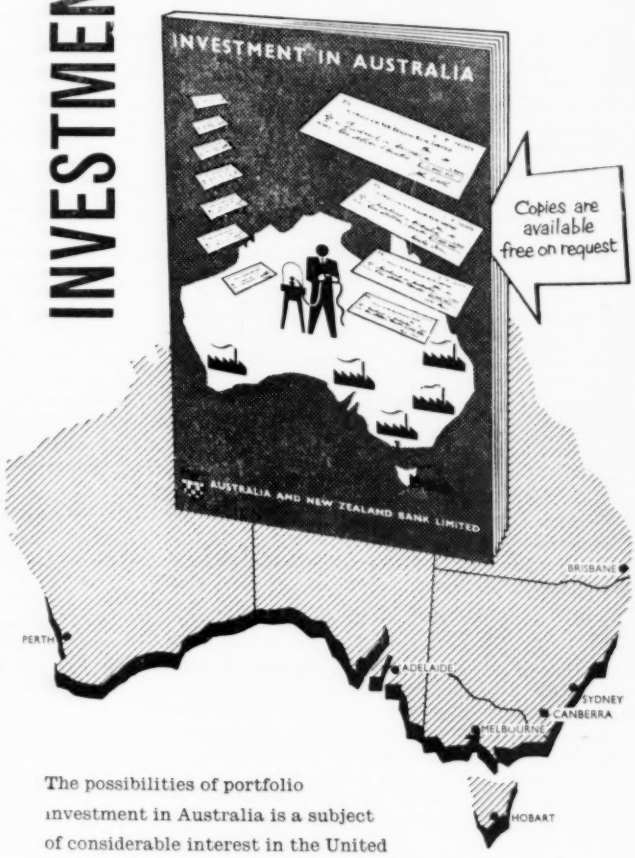

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Movietone News 1699A	Twentieth Century Fox Film Co. Ltd.	British Movietonews Ltd.	Br/E 26533	7	January 2
It's Magic	United Artists' Corporation Ltd.	Harold Baim Film Productions (London), Ltd.	Br/E 27083	31	January 2
Pathe Pictorial Series 365-377: *Pathe Pictorial No. 368*	Warner-Pathe Distributors Ltd.	Associated British-Pathe Ltd.	Br/E 27084	8	January 3
Sun Swept	Gala Film Distributors Ltd.	Michael Keatering Productions Ltd.	Br/E 27055	69	January 4
Movietone News No. 1700	Twentieth Century Fox Film Co. Ltd.	British Movietonews Ltd.	Br/E 26900	7	January 5
Pathe News 62-1	Warner-Pathe Distributors Ltd.	Associated British Pathe Ltd.	Br/E 26952	7	January 5
Pathe News 62-2	" " "	" " "	Br/E 26953	8	January 5
		FOREIGN			
Gidget Goes Hawaiian	Columbia Pictures Corporation Ltd.	Columbia Pictures Corporation	F 27080	101	January 1
Hey Let's Twist	Paramount Film Service Ltd.	Harry Romm Productions Inc.	F 27081	79	January 2
Pocketful of Miracles	United Artists' Corporation Ltd.	Franton Productions Inc.	F 27082	137	January 2
Between Time and Eternity	Gala Film Distributors Ltd.	Despa-Film	F 27086	85	January 4

Movietone News 1689A (Br/E 26531) published in the *Board of Trade Journal* dated January 5, 1962, should read 1698A.
Where the title appears in italics the film forms part of a series. Br/E indicates that the film is a British quota film.

Film Industry Statistics

Recent Trends in Film-going

TOTAL cinema admissions for the year 1961 are now provisionally estimated at slightly in excess of 460 million, a reduction of 11 per cent. on the final estimate of 521 million for 1960. (This contrasts with corresponding reductions, in recent years, of 17 per cent. in each of 1957 and 1958, 20 per cent. in 1959 and 14 per cent. in 1960). Gross box-office takings for 1961 are provisionally put at slightly under £61 million, a fall of nearly 7 per cent. from the 1960 figure of £65.4 million. Net box office takings in 1961 are provisionally estimated at slightly under £57 million, a fall of some 4 per cent. from 1960; levy payments were around £3.9 million in both years, but no entertainments duty was payable in 1961 as against £2.1 million in 1960.

Admissions over the first five months of 1961 were less than 9 per cent. down on the corresponding period of 1960, but from June onwards the rate of decline was a little faster, reaching some 16 per cent. in October-November (final December figures are not yet available). As far as gross takings were concerned, a relatively sharp rise in the average price per admission during September-October (from a previous level of 31½d. to almost 33½d. in October) partly offset the effect of the fall in admissions. Earlier in the year the upward movement of prices had been only gradual.

The above figures are estimates made from information collected by the Board of Trade from a sample of cinemas.

The number of cinemas in commercial operation (as shown by licensing returns) further declined during 1961 from some 3,050 at the start of the year to something under 2,800 (as at present indicated) at its end. Notification of closures may be delayed for some time after the event, but it appears probable that the number of net closures in 1961 will be around 280, as compared with nearly 400 during 1960.

The rate of fall in admissions in 1961 of some 11 per cent. was not much above the rate of closure of cinemas. This implies only a small reduction in average capacity filled, as compared with 1960, and an increased proportion of cinemas probably experienced little or no drop in admissions.

Hints to Businessmen visiting Cambodia and the U.S.

REVISED editions of the booklets on Cambodia and the United States have been published in the series of 'Hints to Business Men'.

British business men who intend visiting those countries on export business can obtain copies of the booklets on application to the Board of Trade, Directories and Notices Section, Room 0348, Horse Guards Avenue, London, S.W.1. (Telephone: Trafalgar 8855, Ext. 2928).

CUSTOMS NOTICES OF INTEREST TO EXPORTERS

THE FOLLOWING Public Notices issued by H.M. Customs and Excise relate to various aspects of export procedure. Copies of these Notices may be obtained from the local Officer of Customs and Excise, whose address appears in the telephone directory, and to whom all inquiries should be addressed, or from the Secretary, H.M. Customs and Excise, King's Beam House, Mark Lane, London, E.C.3.

Notice No.	
	GENERAL
106	Temporary exportations of samples by British commercial travellers.
113	Scale of charges for the special attendance of an Officer of Customs and Excise given at the request of a merchant or trader.
118	Samples required for the purpose of promoting exports from the United Kingdom: admission without payment of Customs Duty and Purchase Tax.
206	Relief from Customs Duty and Purchase Tax for goods temporarily imported for process or repair and subsequent re-exportation.
207	Re-imported goods: relief from Customs Duty and Purchase Tax.
210	Temporary importation of films and similar goods for copying, printing, etc., to fulfil export orders.
427	Declaration of value on Customs export documents.
77E	Purchase Tax – Exports.
49	Temporary importations: International Co-operation.
215	Relief from Customs Duty and Purchase Tax on importations of goods intended for export and not otherwise eligible for relief.
S.N.6	Notice to Passengers (Exchange Control and Export Licensing).
*	Notice to Exporters – Exchange Control (issued by H.M. Treasury).
	DRAWBACK
218	Drawback on certain imported goods exported without change of state.
219	Drawback on certain exported goods manufactured from imported materials on which duty has been paid.
291	Claims for drawback on goods exported where there has been a variation in the duty rate.
372	Authorization of signatories to drawback claims.
7	Drawback on mixed or blended beers when exported or deposited in bonded warehouse.
224	The examination of bottled beer, exported on drawback, at the premises of a licensed brewer for sale, or beer dealer as an alternative to examination on the quay.
276	Drawback on roasted coffee, roasted chicory or mixtures of roasted coffee and roasted chicory when exported.
172	Drawback on hydrocarbon oils.
171	Drawback on hydrocarbon oil used in the United Kingdom in the manufacture of goods not containing hydrocarbon oil.
56	Drawback on British manufactured saccharin and saccharin goods when exported.
220	Drawback on silk and man-made fibres.
48	Drawback on sugar, and on composite articles containing sugar, cocoa, etc.
130 and 130A	Sugar Act 1956. Surcharge repayment on sugar and molasses. (These Notices should be read in conjunction with Notice No. 48.)
131	Sugar Act, 1956. Composite goods containing sugar or molasses. Procedure following a change in rate of surcharge, etc., under the Act.
212	Drawback on blended tea.

* Also obtainable from any Bank.

Recent Export Achievements

United Kingdom firms are invited to send in brief details of new export orders or contracts for publication on this page

Radio and Radar for Norwegian Factory Trawler

The Norsk Marconikompani A/S, the Norwegian associate of The Marconi International Marine Communication Co. Ltd., Chelmsford, have received an order for the complete radio communication and navigational aid installation for Norway's first factory trawler.

Heavy Coatings for Russia

The National Association of Scottish Woollen Manufacturers announce that Gibson & Lumgair Ltd., of Selkirk, have received its third order from Russia for heavy coatings.

Insecticides for Sudan

More than 10,000 gallons of insecticide, weighing 56 tons, has been flown from London to Khartoum during a three-day period to protect the Sudan cotton crop against pests. The insecticide is produced by Fisons Pest Control Ltd.

Power Manipulators for Denmark and Switzerland

G.E.C. (Engineering) Ltd., Erith, have received two orders for remote handling equipment, one from the Danish Atomic Energy Commission worth £16,454, and the other from the Swiss Federal Office of Works valued at £23,844.

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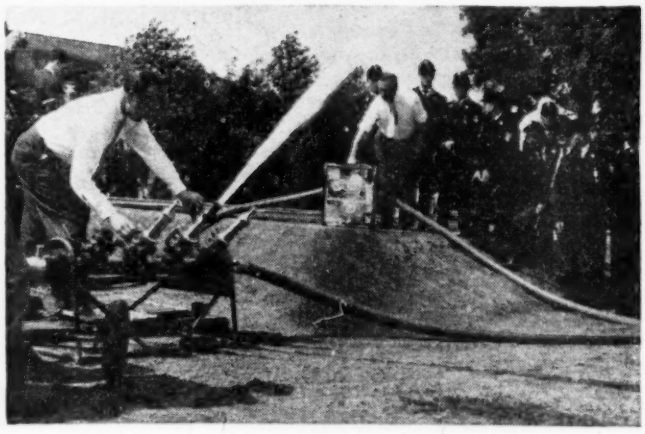

A new drive for fire pump sales in the European market has been made by Coventry Climax Engines Ltd., of Coventry. This photograph is typical of the interest shown by European firemen in a demonstration of the firm's F.W.M.P. portable pump at the International Fire Fighting Exhibition at Cologne.

Buses for Uruguay

A fleet of buses valued at over £400,000 has just been ordered from Leyland Motors Ltd., by C.U.T.C.S.A., a private-enterprise co-operative concern which provides the bulk of bus transportation in Montevideo.

Rotary Newspaper Press for India

Vickers-Armstrongs (Engineers) a member of The Vickers Group of London announce that *The Statesman* has ordered a Scott Vickers rotary newspaper press for delivery to their Calcutta office. It will be built and tested at the Elswick, Newcastle-upon-Tyne works of Vickers-Armstrongs before being shipped to India.

Domestic Central Heating Furnaces for West Germany

Thirty oil-fired warm-air central heating furnaces have been despatched by Lincoln Furnaces Ltd., of Oxted, Surrey, to an importing firm in Hamburg. This is the second Lincoln consignment to Hamburg in recent months.

Automatic Electro-Plating Machines for Italy

Electro-Chemical Engineering Co. Ltd., of Woking, Surrey, have supplied two of their latest automatic electro-plating machines to Fiat of Italy. The machines are said to be the largest ever built in this country.

Television and Sound Equipment for Sweden

The Royal Board of Swedish Telecommunications have placed another big order for television and sound broadcasting transmitters with Marconi's Wireless Telegraph Co. Ltd. This calls for 21 vision transmitters, 21 sound transmitters, 40 frequency-modulated sound transmitters and a considerable quantity of programme input, paralleling, feeder and ancillary equipment.

Bottle Brewery for Nigeria

Taylor Woodrow (Nigeria) Ltd. have started work on a new brewery for Guinness (Nigeria) Ltd., on a 14-acre site in the Ikeja Trading Estate, near Lagos, in Western Nigeria. The overall project is valued at about £1·8 million. Ancillary works include canteen and changing rooms for the local Nigerian staff, housing for ex-patriate staff, railway sidings and a quarter million gallon reservoir to hold one day's water supply. Brewing is expected to start in October 1962.

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Jan. 18-19	Machine tools and miscellaneous stores including:	W.D. Storage Depot, Rotherwas, Hereford	Russell, Baldwin & Bright (Dept. L), 20 King Street, Hereford. (Tel.: 4366.)

5,100 stop and wrist watches, watch parts and spares; industrial diamonds; silver cup rings; broadcast receivers; vibratory supply units; telephone extension kits and switchboards; machine tools; antennae rods; generators and electric motors; cable connectors and cable; used tyres; chain blocks; metal binning; electric, petrol driven and other trucks; 3,400 cast iron pipes; 5,300 gallons plastic cocooning compound; 4,000 wooden and iron bedsteads; cutlery; crockery; glassware; canteen and kitchen equipment; ground sheets; mattresses, clothing and bedding; tools and tool kits; M.T. and aircraft spares; electrical and wireless spares, etc.

Jan. 31	Machine tools and miscellaneous stores	Northern Command Ordnance Sub Depot, Barlow, Nr. Selby, Yorks.	Bartle & Son (Dept. L), 50-52 Merrion Street, Leeds, 2. (Tel.: 20898.)
Feb. 5-9	Vehicles, earthmoving, roadmaking, lifting equipment and motor cycles.	W.D. Storage Depot, Ruddington, Notts.	Walker, Walton & Hanson (Dept. L), Byard Lane, Bridlesmith Gate, Nottingham. (Tel.: 54272.)
Feb. 15	Machine tools and miscellaneous stores	Technical Stores Depot, Old Dalby, Leics. (*Sale at Melton Mowbray.*)	Shouler & Son (Dept. L), 1 Norman Street, Melton Mowbray, Leics. (Tel.: 3081.)
Feb. 20	Machine tools and miscellaneous stores	W.D. Storage Depot, Royal Arsenal, Woolwich, London, S.E.18.	Fuller, Horsey, Sons & Cassell (Dept. L), 10 Lloyd's Avenue, London, E.C.3. (Tel.: Royal 4861.)

Application for catalogues, available 14 days prior to date of sale should be made only to the auctioneers shown above (price of catalogue, 1s. 0d., *Postal Orders only*).

MACHINE TOOLS – Sale by Tender

Single spindle pillar drills; cylindrical, surface, tool and cutter grinders; capstan and centre lathes; horizontal and vertical millers; shaping, sawing, honing, punching and shearing machines; hardness testers; forging hammer, etc.

Location: Technical Stores Depot, Old Dalby, Melton Mowbray, Leics.

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Quantity 20 Diamond 'T' 40-ton transporter tractors, Model 980, 6 x 4 normal control, diesel.

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Application for tender forms should be made to: War Office, Directorate of Disposals, First Avenue House, High Holborn, London, W.C.1. Tender forms for machine tools must be returned by January 30, 1962, and tender forms for tractors by January 31, 1962.

Air Ministry

1962	Stores	Location	Auctioneers
Jan. 24	Miscellaneous stores and equipment	No. 7 Maintenance Unit, Royal Air Force, Quedgeley, Glos.	Bruton Knowles & Co., Albion Chambers, King Street, Gloucester. (Tel.: Gloucester 21267.) Catalogues 1s. 0d. each. *Postal Orders only.*

The above sale will include furniture, carpets, rugs, blankets, tools, kitchen equipment, clocks, generating sets, Lister diesel engines, marine spares, aircraft spares, cable, electrical equipment, trolleys, aircraft tubes and tyres, etc.

Jan. 31	Huts and buildings, three steel drill sheds, two Hiniardi sheds, overhead cable, boiler installations, etc.	Royal Air Force Station, Wilmslow, Cheshire	F. R. Marshall & Co., 35 Princess Street, Knutsford, Cheshire. (Tel.: Knutsford 2561.) Catalogues free.
Feb. 8	Miscellaneous stores and equipment	No. 25 Maintenance Unit, Royal Air Force, Hartlebury.	Nock & Joseland, Bank Buildings, Kidderminster, Worcestershire. (Tel.: Kidderminster 2053.) Catalogues 1s. 0d. each. *Postal Orders only.*
Feb. 22	Miscellaneous stores and equipment	No. 35 Maintenance Unit, Royal Air Force, Heywood, Lancs.	Brady & Son, 17 Warren Street, Stockport, Cheshire. (Tel.: Stockport 2252.) Catalogues 1s. 0d. each. *Postal Orders only.*

Catalogues for the above sales may be obtained within fourteen days of the advertised date of sale, on application to the auctioneers.

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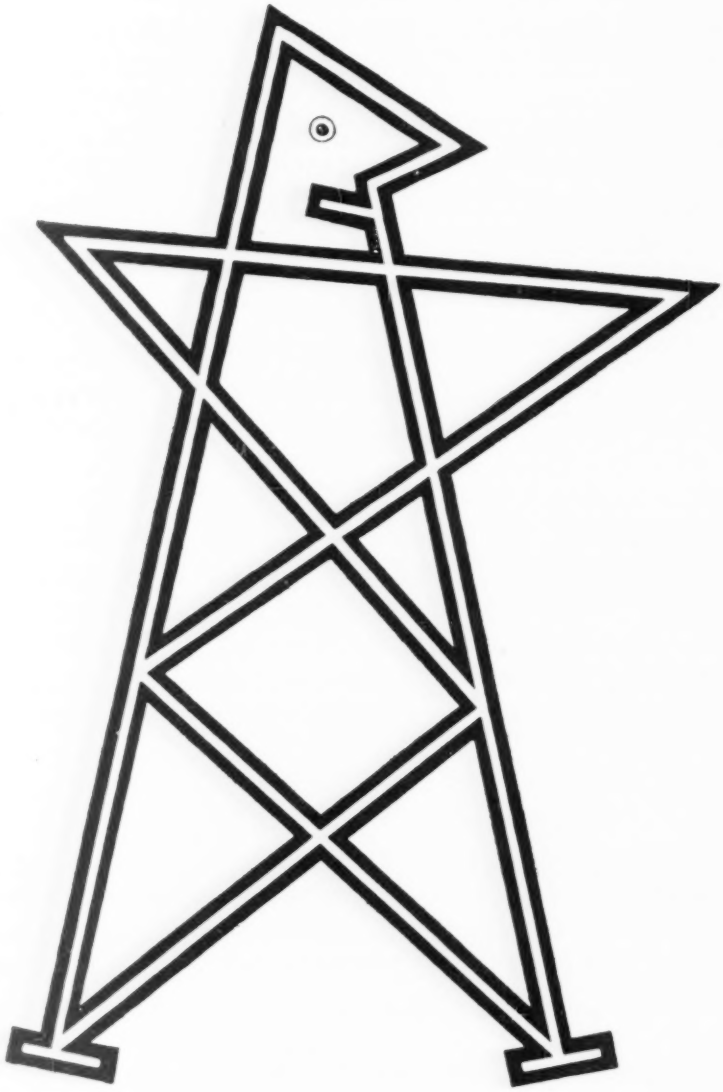
Ministry of Works

1962	Description of Goods	Location	Auctioneers
Jan. 16	Office and miscellaneous furniture, domestic refrigerators, electric and other fittings, canteen equipment, crockery, etc.	Ministry of Works, Supplies Division Stores, Shed 10, 51 Kidbrooke Park Road, London, S.E.3.	Hollingsworth, Bank Chambers, 329 High Holborn, London, W.C.1. (Tel.: Holborn 0337.) (Catalogues, price 6d., are obtainable direct from the auctioneers.)



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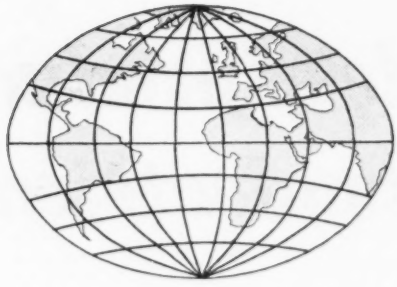

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Trade Fairs and Exhibitions at Home and Overseas

Changes in Trade Fairs and Exhibitions Announcements

BECAUSE of pressure on space all the various classified lists of trade fairs and exhibitions will be published in full only on the dates indicated below:

	Date Last Published	Date Next Published
Outside Europe	Jan. 5	April 6
Europe	Dec. 1	Mar. 2
United Kingdom	Nov. 3	Feb. 2

Amendments and additions to the three lists will be shown in the issues of the intervening weeks.

No responsibility is taken for the standing of organizations or individuals mentioned in the following lists, and dates, etc., may be subject to alteration.

The Board of Trade Export Publicity and Fairs Branch, Horse Guards Avenue, London, S.W.1 (Telephone: Trafalgar 8855, Extension 3096 Europe; 3097 United Kingdom and outside Europe) will be glad to answer general inquiries but application should be made to the organizers or United Kingdom agents for details of costs and conditions of participation. Export Publicity and Fairs Branch can also provide information about other events, which, owing to space limitation are not included in the list.

* Indicates fair which is held annually at approximately the time stated.

† Indicates fair which is held in alternate years at approximately the time stated.

Additions to Classified Lists of Trade Fairs and Exhibitions

THE FAIRS and exhibitions given below are additions to the full lists published in the *Board of Trade Journal* on January 5, December 1 and November 3 respectively.

OUTSIDE EUROPE

Additions:

CASABLANCA: INTERNATIONAL TRADE FAIR – April 26-May 13, 1962.
* Apply, British Chamber of Commerce, 101 Boulvard Mohamed El Hansali, Casablanca.

DAMASCUS: INTERNATIONAL TRADE FAIR – August 25-September 20, 1962.
* Apply, La Direction Generale de la Foire Internationale de Damas, 187 Boulevard Bagdad, Damascus.

EUROPE

Additions:

BASLE: INTERNATIONAL TIMBER PROCESSING AND WOODWORKING MACHINERY EXHIBITION – May 26-June 3, 1962.
† Apply, Schweizer Mustermesse, Basle 21.

MUNICH: GERMAN BUILDING MACHINES EXHIBITION (BAUMA) – March 16-24, 1963.
* Apply, Bayerische Baumusterschau, Theresienhohe 18, Munich, 12.

COLOGNE: INTERNATIONAL FURNITURE FAIR – January 29-February 2, 1964.
† Apply, Du Mont Publicity Co. Ltd., 18 Queensberry Place, London, S.W.7. (Tel.: Kensington 1700.)

UNITED KINGDOM

Additions:

MANCHESTER: INTERNATIONAL FACTORY EQUIPMENT EXHIBITION – September 19-28, 1962.
* At Belle Vue. Apply, Industrial and Trade Fairs Ltd., Commonwealth House, 1-19 New Oxford Street, London, W.C.1. (Tel.: Chancery 9011.)

LONDON: INTERNATIONAL CARAVAN EXHIBITION – November 28-December 4, 1962.
* At Olympia. Apply, Exhibition Organizer, The *Daily Mail*, Bouverie Street, London, E.C.4. (Tel.: Fleet Street 5000.)

LONDON: INTERNATIONAL CONSTRUCTION EQUIPMENT EXHIBITION AND CONFERENCE – June 25-July 5, 1963.
† At Crystal Palace. Apply, Industrial and Trade Fairs Ltd., Commonwealth House, 1-19 New Oxford Street, London, W.C.1. (Tel.: Chancery 9011.)

British Pavilion's Attraction at Indian Industries Fair

THE BRITISH PAVILION at the Indian Industries Fair, the closing date of which was extended for ten days until January 11, continued to attract many important visitors. Included among these was Mr. Pandit Nehru, the Indian Prime Minister, who was received by the British High Commissioner, Sir Paul Gore-Booth, and who spent three-quarters of an hour in the British Pavilion.

Presentation to Mr. Nehru

In the industrial section he went from stand to stand. He stopped to see the W. H. Smith bookshop and the colourful H.M.V. stand where he was presented with an album containing six records of Gandhi's post-prayer speeches. At the Linotype stand, Mr. Nehru's name was set up in three different scripts and the blocks given to him as a souvenir. Associated Cement Companies Limited – Vickers-Babcock Limited – showed a model of their new plant to be opened in February, and Mr. Nehru asked about their work on atomic reactors. At the A.E.I. stand, he saw heavy electrical goods which are to be produced at Bhopal and watched a display by Indian apprentices being trained at A.E.I. The International Computors and Tabulators demonstrated the rapid preparation of accounts on their forty-column tabulating machine. Mr. Nehru spent a long time examining the large display presented by the Society of British Aircraft Constructors and by Rolls-Royce. After 'piloting' a B.A.C.111 aircraft on the model airfield he watched a demonstration of controlling a Vigilant anti-tank missile. Finally Mr. Nehru left the British Pavilion by the 'air house' of British Nylon Spinners. This is a tent of nylon supported only by a jet of air and housing a comprehensive range of nylon products from saris to industrial belting.

The Prime Minister, who was in excellent humour, was clearly impressed by the display. There is no doubt that his visit set the seal on a very successful exhibition – successful from the point of view of trade as well as prestige.

Key to British Pavilion's Success

Apart from the design of the pavilion with its massive use of lights, the 'British Partnership with India' theme is the key to the pavilion's undoubted success. Britain showed its special relationship with India and its contribution to the establishment of industry there. The 'Partnership in Production' sector of the pavilion showed actual products loaned by some seventy British firms now manufacturing there. The products ranged from chocolates to motor cycles, from paints to switchgear, from a loom to hydraulic pit props and from tea machinery to a radar scanner. No other pavilion could show the same range and this section made the Indian visitor realise the benefits stemming from co-operation with British industry.

Mr. Pandit Nehru looking at aircraft models on the Hawker Siddeley stand at the Indian Industries Fair. With him are (left to right) Sir Paul Gore-Booth, High Commissioner in India, Mr. H. Bailey, British Senior Trade Commissioner and Mr. A. McLellan of Hawker-Siddeley.

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Wide Appeal of the 1962 Boat Show

LARGE NUMBERS of overseas visitors including many trade delegations have visited the International Boat Show at Earls Court (January 3-13) which is perhaps one of the brightest of the many winter exhibitions held in London. This show acts like a magnet to all boating enthusiasts and thousands of other people in all walks of life who cannot resist the call of sailing. Attendance figures have grown each year. The 1961 Boat Show attracted a record 323,168 people and it is expected that this year, the eighth show will attract even more visitors.

This year's exhibition is greater in scope than ever before and contains a fine selection of traditional and ultra-modern craft all assembled under one roof. This comprehensive marine exhibition features boats of all types, sizes and cost as well as the latest engines and accessories which reflect and emphasize the growing popularity of boating in national and international life. More than 450 exhibitors are taking part in the show which is organized by the Ship and Boat Builders' National Federation and sponsored by the *Daily Express*. The impact of this exhibition reaches beyond the shores of Britain. Last year's Boat Show drew an interest from 111 countries, an indication that the boating industry has moved more and more into the export field – a field which the organizers want to develop still further.

Centrepiece of the 1962 show was the reconstruction of a view of Dartmouth, famous Devonshire tourist centre. One of the boats afloat in the pool was Thunderbolt – the craft in which T.E.B. "Tommy" Sopwith won first place in the 1961 Offshore Powerboat race from Cowes to Torquay. Another eye-catching exhibit was the C.C.2 Cushioncraft, a 27 feet sleek-looking 10 seater "family" machine which the designers say is an intermediate size craft built for operators who require a relatively cheap and completely amphibious machine for route trials and to gain light hovercraft operating experience. Its length is 27ft., beam 17ft. 1in., height – to the top of the fin – 8ft. 6ins. and dry weight 2,950 lbs. When maximum ground clearance is not the major performance criterion, loads exceeding the tare weight of the craft may be transported.

A revolutionary step which heralds a new age in sailing was shown by a hull of a yacht constructed of concrete less than one inch in thickness. Although larger vessels have been made with concrete hulls – they were made between 1917 and 1922 – it is believed that this vessel is the first of this kind which has been produced. Known as Seacrete, this new form of concrete is claimed to be stronger than wood and glass-fibre. The process is still on the secret list, and it is predicted that this method of construction is bound to have a big impact on the industry.

Other features of the exhibition included a full-size floating filling station which can be conveniently moored at any point to enable craft to refuel regardless of the state of the tide with either petrol or diesel fuel; a Pack-a-Boat five-seater runabout craft 13 feet in length with a 5ft. 6ins. beam which can be folded flat when not in use, made from tough, high-impact P.V.C.; a Pack-Away dinghy made of the same material, measuring 1ft. 10ins. by 4ins. by 9 feet in length when stowed.

The family interest was catered for with all types of craft for holidays afloat and within the means of the pocket, and once afloat the eating and living problems could be solved by visiting Galley Alley, a section which showed such items as refrigerators, gas cookers, stainless steel sinks, which now are as much an integral part of boating as the sea itself. In addition there were fashion shows, a Boating-on-a-Budget feature, a build-it-yourself boatyard where could be seen five of the 267 Tristan Da Cunhans – who fled from their volcano-stricken island about three months ago – building a long boat of the type in which the entire population of the island was taken out to sea to be towed away to safety. All five are boat builders by trade and are led by Mr. Gordon Glass, aged 62, who though one-armed is stated to be the finest craftsman of them all.

Among overseas exhibitors were firms from the United States, Canada, Italy, Belgium, Norway, Denmark, Holland, France and from behind the Iron Curtain, Poland, East Germany and Hungary.

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Export Achievements *(Continued from page 60)*

Power Station Equipment for Australia

A £4 million order to supply two 350 MW. steam turbines for the Munmorah power station, New South Wales, Australia, has been awarded to The English Electric Co. Ltd., by the Electricity Commission of New South Wales.

Brazil orders British T.V. Equipment

Radio Sociedade Gaucha, S.A., have recently placed a £150,000 contract with Pye T.V.T. Ltd. of Cambridge, for a complete television station at Porto Alegre, Brazil.

Gasoline Plant for Yugoslavia

Edwin Danks & Co. (Oldbury) Ltd., a subsidiary company of Babcock & Wilcox Ltd., has secured in collaboration with two well-known American design organizations the main contract for the supply of a gasoline plant and associated well-head equipment for Tehnometal Export-Import, Yugoslavia, which is acting on behalf of the Naftagas concern in that country. The total value of the contract is over £1,000,000.

Steelworks Equipment for Belgium

G.E.C. have recently received an order worth nearly £70,000, for blending machines to be installed in the Athus steelworks, Belgium of S. A. Cockerill-Ougree.

Fluid Mixers for Polymer Corporation of Pennsylvania

Lightnin Mixers Ltd., of Poynton, Cheshire, have received an order valued at £75,000 for the supply of fluid mixers to the Polymer Corporation of Pennsylvania, United States.

Corrugated Aluminium Sheathed Cables for Australia

The British Insulated Callender's Cables Group of Companies have received an order from the Electricity Trust of South Australia for the supply and installation of some 4,625 yards of 66 kV. corrugated seamless aluminium sheathed cables in the Adelaide area.

British Manipulators for Overseas Countries

A British-built, power-operated mechanical arm has been ordered by the Euratom organization in Brussels for installation at their station in Ispra, Northern Italy. It is being built by Nuclear Equipment Ltd., of Watford, Herts., who have built up a flourishing export business. During the past nine months orders totalling £100,000 have been obtained from the atomic energy authorities in Belgium, Denmark, Norway, France, Germany, and Italy.

Power Station Equipment for United States

The Grand River Dam Authority, of Oklahoma, U.S.A., has awarded the English Electric Corporation of New York a contract worth £900,000 for the design, manufacture and delivery of four – 35,000 h.p. 90 r.p.m. Kaplan water turbines with a runner diameter of 220 ins. – for a new dam and power station on the Grand River at Markham Ferry, Oklahoma.

Axial Flow Compressors for Poland

Hawker Siddeley Brush Turbines Ltd. have been awarded a contract by Constructors John Brown Ltd. for three axial flow compressors to supply compressed air for a large tonnage oxygen plant in Poland.

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Export Achievements *(Continued)*

Flour Mill for Turkey

Henry Simon Ltd., a subsidiary of Simon Engineering Ltd., of Cheadle Heath, Stockport, have been awarded a £150,000 contract to construct a flour mill in Turkey.

Electrical Control Equipment for Flour Mill in Turkey

Electric control equipment for a new flour mill at Sark in Turkey has been ordered from Brookhirst Igranic Ltd., a company in the Metal Industries Group.

Excavating Machines for Japan

Fifty-six excavating machines, an order worth £148,000, are being sent to Japan by J. C. Bamford Ltd., of Rocester, Staffs. A further consignment of machines which are to be used on Japan's reconstruction and redevelopment programme, are to be despatched in the near future.

More Bus and Heavy Duty Chassis for Argentina

A.E.C. Ltd., of Southall, Middlesex, have received a further order for 200 bus and truck chassis and spares from Argentina. This latest order, placed by A.E.C.'s distributors, Agar Cross & Co. Ltd., of Buenos Aires, brings the firm's business with Argentina to date this year – since Government import restrictions were eased – to a total of £4,600,000.

Mr. W. H. Wood (*right*), chairman of the Wallace & Tiernan Group meeting Herr Willy Brandt, Mayor of West Berlin, at the International Water Congress, held in the Town Hall, West Berlin. Sales and installations of this chemical engineering company have been made in France, Belgium, Germany, Austria, Rumania, Italy, Spain, Portugal, Switzerland, Denmark, Norway, Sweden, Finland, Greece, Iceland, Turkey, Iran, Iraq, Syria, etc. and also in North and South Africa.

Power Station Equipment for Ceylon, Cyprus and South Africa

Receipt of orders for pumping plant for power stations in Ceylon, Cyprus and South Africa, were recently announced by W. H. Allen Sons & Co. Ltd., of Bedford.

Turbo-Generator for Yugoslavia

G.E.C. (Engineering) Ltd., have received an order from Millspaugh Wimpey Ltd., for a 7 MW. double-passout condensing turbo-generator set for installation in a pulp and paper mill at Plaski, Yugoslavia. Valued in the region of £130,000, it forms part of a £3 million contract.

Trucks for U.S.A.

Leyland Motors Ltd., announce that included in United States orders valued at $60,000,000 (£21,400,000) placed with the new Leyland-Standard-Triumph Group at the recent London Motor Show, was one for Leyland Group trucks valued at three $3,000,000.

Lamps for Tanganyika Independence Celebrations

A substantial order for colour-glaze lamps, blue, yellow, red and green, were placed with Crompton Parkinson Ltd., of London, for the Tanganyika Independence celebrations which were held from December 8-9, 1961.

Furnaces for Poland

A.E.I.-Birlec Ltd., of Birmingham, have received an order for furnaces from Centrozap of Poland to the value of £153,000.

Cableship Machinery for France

The Equipment Division (formely Telcon Engineering Division) of Submarine Cables Ltd., (owned jointly by A.E.I. and B.I.C.C.) have supplied the whole of the cable handling machinery and ancillary equipment for the new 4,400-ton (deadweight) cable laying and repair ship 'Marcel Bayard' belonging to the French Ministry of Posts and Telecommunications.

Electrical Apparatus for Danish Oil Refinery

A.E.I. announce that Denmark's first oil refinery, opened recently, will produce 20,000 barrels daily when in full production. Built by Foster Wheeler & Co. Ltd., for Dansk Veedol A/S at Kalundborg, the refinery is equipped with electrical apparatus valued at £210,000 supplied by A.E.I. Ltd.

Cotton Weaving Equipment for United Arab Republic

British Northrop Ltd., of Blackburn, have secured contracts worth over £2,000,000 for the supply of more than 2,000 Northrop automatic looms to Egypt.

Motor Vehicle Chassis for Belgium, Holland, and Portugal

A.E.C. Ltd., of Southall, Middlesex, have received orders for 24 vehicles from A.E.C. Continental S.A., the company's distributors in Belgium, from N.V. Auto-Industrie Verheul, Netherlands, a substantial order for A.E.C. trucks, from Lisbon Electric Tramways Ltd., an order for another 12 'Regent' Mk V double-deck vehicles, and from Lisbon, a repeat order from Uniao de Transportadores para Importacao e Comercio Lda., for eight more vehicles – four 'Monarch' medium-weight trucks and four more 'Reliance' chassis.

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Pakistan's £7 million Loan from Britain

IT IS ANNOUNCED by the Commonwealth Relations Office that under an agreement signed in Karachi on January 8, the British Government have made a loan of £7 million to the Government of Pakistan to finance the purchase of British machinery and equipment for projects forming part of Pakistan's Second Five Year Plan.

The Agreement was signed by Mr. H. A. Majid, Secretary to Government (Economic Affairs Division) on behalf of the Government of Pakistan, and by Mr. J. M. C. James, the British High Commissioner, on behalf of Britain.

By arrangement between the two Governments the loan will be for the purchase from Britain of jute machinery, buses, port dredging equipment, equipment for the West Pakistan machinery Pool, postal and telegraph equipment and equipment for the Electrical and Mechanical workshops in West Pakistan.

Britain undertook to make this new loan at the most recent meeting, in June, 1961, of the Consortium of countries which was formed by the International Bank to concert aid to Pakistan. Together with recent loans of £5 million and £3 million, the new loan brings British Government aid to date to Pakistan's Second Five Year Plan to £15 million.

The new loan agreement provides for a repayment period of 25 years, including a grace period of seven years before repayments of principal commence. The loan has been made under Section 3 of the Export Guarantees Act, 1949.

In addition to the two loans of £5 million and £3 million mentioned in the notice the British Government made two previous loans, each of £10 million, towards Pakistan's economic development. The first was made on March 2, 1954, and the second on February 27, 1959.

Britain and Pakistan: Double Taxation

THE Double Taxation Agreement between the United Kingdom and Pakistan which was signed in London on April 24, 1961 was published on January 3, 1962 as a Schedule to an Order in Council numbered S.I. 1961 No. 2467. Copies are available from Her Majesty's Stationery Office. Price 8d.

Argentina and Yugoslavia

H.M. EMBASSY at Buenos Aires report that a commercial agreement between Argentina and Yugoslavia was signed in Buenos Aires on November 6, 1961, replacing the 1958 Trade and Payments Agreement which was terminated in 1960. The new agreement is valid for three years and is renewable annually thereafter; it provides for most-favoured-nation treatment for trade subject to exceptions for trade with neighbouring countries and Peru, for customs unions and free trade areas and for frontier traffic. There are also shipping and insurance provisions.

Tunisia and Austria

THE TUNISIAN *Journal Officiel* of October 27-31, 1961, published details of the new trade agreement between Tunisia and Austria initialled in Tunis on May 23, 1961, and signed on September 14, 1961. The agreement is valid for one year from May 1, 1961, to April 30, 1962.

Austrian exports to Tunisia will include detonators, electric fuses and testing equipment, paper and cardboard, leather, textiles, bricks, flagstones and tiles, glass pearls and imitation gem stones, metal casks, office equipment, broadcasting equipment, various electrical equipment, clocks and watches, hunting and sporting guns, vehicles, semi-products of aluminium, lighters and cutlery.

Tunisian exports to Austria will include preserved vegetables, jams, preserved fruits, cork products, hyperphosphates, and superphosphates, and hand-made wool carpets and blankets.

The French text of the notice may be seen at the Export Services Branch, Board of Trade, Room 722, Lacon House, Theobalds Road, London, W.C.1.

Tunisia and Czechoslovakia

IT WAS announced in the Tunisian *Journal Officiel* of December 5-8, 1961, that the trade agreement of October 14, 1959, has been renewed for a period of one year with effect from November 1, 1961. Quotas in the agreement, as revised by the protocol signed on April 18, 1961, are unchanged (see *Board of Trade Journal* of July 28, 1961, page 212).

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Mexico and Indonesia

A COMMERCIAL TREATY between the Republics of Mexico and Indonesia was signed in Mexico City on November 1, 1961. Under the Treaty, the two countries intend goods to the value of U.S. $60 million to be exchanged annually during a minimum period of three years.

Included in the list of goods which Mexico is to export to Indonesia are cotton cloth and yarn up to a value of U.S. $40 million and quantities of gypsum and other products for a value of U.S. $20 million. In exchange, Mexico is to purchase annually from Indonesia rubber to the value of U.S. $7·2 million, cinnamon to the value of U.S. $715,000, black pepper for U.S. $605,000, tea for U.S. $126,000 and nutmeg for U.S. $106,000.

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ARGENTINA

Compressor Plants for The State Gas Corporation Organization. January 31. E.S.B 39654/61.

Economic Study as Basis for Future Development Plans for Direccion General de Fabricaciones Militares. February 16. E.S.B. 39640/61.

Textile Machinery for The National Cotton Board. January 26. E.S.B. 249/62.*

Coal Washing Plant for State Coal Board. (Further information). Closing date postponed to January 25. E.S.B. 38208/61.

Planning and Construction of Transformer Station for the State Water and Power Board. June 14. E.S.B. 39653/61.

Cable for the State River Fleet. January 23. Tender documents (in Spanish) available. E.S.B. 39655/61.*

AUSTRALIA

Turbo-Generators for the State Electricity Commission of Queensland. Tender documents now available. E.S.B. 38573/61.*

Mechanical Flow-Meter for the Banana Shire Council. No specific closing date stated. E.S.B. 39617/61.

Paint; Wool Scouring Unit for South Australia Supply and Tender Board. January 22. E.S.B. 39746/61.

Switchboards for Postmaster General's Department, Melbourne. (Further information). Tender documents now available for loan. E.S.B. 39332/61.*

Townsville Regional Electricity Board:

Telecommunication Equipment. Closing date postponed to January 24. E.S.B. 34997/61.*
Transmission Line. Tender documents now available. E.S.B. 39183/61.*

State Electricity Commission of Victoria:

Construction of Unloading Lines. (Further information). Closing date postponed to January 22. E.S.B. 33143/61.
Belt Conveyor Lines. (Further information). Closing date postponed to February 5. E.S.B. 32533/61.
Conveyors; Passenger-Goods Lift. February 26. E.S.B. 39331/61.*
Oscillographic Test Equipment. (Further information). Tender documents now available for loan. E.S.B. 39330/61.

BURMA

Sawmill Machinery; Sawmill Building; Sawmill Electric Equipment for Union of Burma State Timber Board. March 31. E.S.B. 227/62.

Alcohol Distillery for Burma Pharmaceutical Industry. February 28. E.S.B. 39333/61.*

Union of Burma Purchase Board:

Plastics Fenders. January 23. E.S.B. 232/62.*
Steel Shafts. January 23. E.S.B. 235/62.*
Control Clocks. January 22. E.S.B. 275/62.*
Iron Wood Screws. January 22. E.S.B. 273/62.*
Fire Resisting Safes. January 22. E.S.B. 274/62.*
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Steel Pipes. January 23. E.S.B. 231/62.*
Oil Cans; Lubricators. January 23. E.S.B. 233/62.*
Forge. January 23. E.S.B. 234/62.*
Floor Polish. January 23. E.S.B. 236/62.*
Railway Fish Plates. January 22. E.S.B. 237/62.*

CEYLON

Pharmaceutical Preparations for Ministry of Health. March 6, Issuing Authority; February 13, Crown Agents. E.S.B. 39159/61.

Electricity Meters for Ministry of Agriculture, Land, Irrigation and Power. January 30. E.S.B. 39367/61.

COLOMBIA

Fork Lift Trucks; Tractors; Trailers for Empressa Puertos de Colombia. January 24. E.S.B. 39872/61.

EGYPT

Turbo-Generator Plant for Cairo Electricity and Gas Administration. (Further information). Closing date postponed to March 14. E.S.B. 34603/61.

Coil Spring for the Egyptian Railways. January 22. E.S.B. 39334/61.

EL SALVADOR

La Proveeduria General de la Republica:

Hospital Furniture. January 23. Tender documents (in Spanish) available for loan. E.S.B. 39628/61.*
Steam Boiler. January 26. Tender documents (in Spanish) available for loan. E.S.B. 254/62.*
Hospital Equipment. January 24. Tender documents (in Spanish) available for loan. E.S.B. 39629/61.*
Hospital Equipment and Accessories. January 24. Tender documents (in Spanish) available for loan. E.S.B. 39630/61.*
Hospital Equipment. January 25. Tender documents (in Spanish) available for loan. E.S.B. 255/62.*
Hospital Equipment. January 25. E.S.B. 256/62.*

ETHIOPIA

Cigarette Packing and Making Machinery for The Imperial Ethiopian Tobacco Monopoly. March 20. E.S.B. 39681/61.*

GREECE

X-ray Equipment for Social Insurance Institute. January 25. E.S.B. 39693/61.*

Ministry of Trade:

Metals. February 3. E.S.B. 39695/61.*
Steel Angles. January 27. E.S.B. 39310/61.*

INDIA

Cables and Cable Boxes for the Tungabhadra Board Electricity Department. Closing date postponed to January 29. E.S.B. 37905/61.*

Steel Towers (Power Transmission Line) for Maharashtra State Electricity Board. February 8. E.S.B. 39772/61.

Waterworks Filters for Corporation of Madras. March 5. E.S.B. 39726/61.

Reduction Gears for National Coal Development Corporation Ltd. February 24. E.S.B. 39730/61.*

Fermentors for Hindustan Antibiotics Ltd. January 22. E.S.B. 242/62.

Cable for Fertilizer Corporation of India. February 9. E.S.B. 39670/61 (DLF).*

Railway Signalling Equipment for Central Railway, Bombay. April 30. E.S.B. 304/62.

Hindustan Shipyard Ltd.:

Piping Plant and Piping. February 10. E.S.B. 39811/61.
Cable. January 29. E.S.B. 39759/61.

Andhra Pradesh Electricity Department:

Crane. January 31. E.S.B. 39776/61.*
Crane. January 30. E.S.B. 295/62.

Madras State Electricity Board:

Steel Wire Ropes. February 2. E.S.B. 39729/61.
Contractors Plant. January 31. E.S.B. 39777/61.
Transmission Lines. March 15. E.S.B. 39782/61.*

Punjab State Electricity Board:

Steel Towers. February 12. E.S.B.38871/61.
Cables. (Further information). Tender documents now available for loan. E.S.B. 37988/61.*
Cables. (Further information). Tender documents now available for loan. E.S.B. 37987/61.*
Cables. (Further information). Tender documents now available for loan. E.S.B. 37985/61.*
Cables. (Further information). Tender documents now available for loan. E.S.B. 37984/61.*
Cables. (Further information). Tender documents now available for loan. E.S.B. 37986/61.*

IRAQ

Ministry of Defence:

Kitchen Equipment. February 14. E.S.B. 39764/61.*
Sommerfield Track. February 12. E.S.B. 39165/61.*
X-ray Equipment. February 19. E.S.B. 39375/61.*

IRISH REPUBLIC

Public Works Contract for Mayo County Council. February 10. E.S.B. 39723/61.

Cork County Council:

Public Works Contract. January 24. E.S.B. 39395/61.
Pumps. January 24. E.S.B. 39396/61.

KENYA

Sluice Valves and Penstocks for City Council of Nairobi. February 5. E.S.B. 39725/61.

KUWAIT

Department of Electricity, Water and Gas:

Valves. January 24. E.S.B. 39753/61.*
Water Meters and Recording Instruments. January 24. E.S.B. 39751/61.*

MALAYA

Public Works Department:

Asbestos Cement Pipes; Bitumen Compound. February 1. E.S.B. 39820/61.
Pressure Filters. January 27. E.S.B. 39669/61.
Pumping Equipment; Electrical Equipment. January 29. E.S.B. 39633/61.

NEW ZEALAND

X-ray Equipment for Auckland Hospital Board. February 12. E.S.B. 39762/61.*

Synchronous Condensers for Electricity Department (Further Information). Closing date postponed to February 20. E.S.B. 30471/61.

Paper for Government Printing and Stationery Department. February 7. E.S.B. 39760/61.*

NIGERIA

Electrical Equipment for the Electricity Corporation of Nigeria. January 22. E.S.B. 39386/61.*

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PAKISTAN

Paint and Varnish for Pakistan Western Railway. January 29. E.S.B. 310/62.
Aircraft Parts for Directorate of Supply. January 23. E.S.B. 39364/61.*
Cranes for Department of Supply and Development. January 30. E.S.B. 39778/61/ICA.

Pakistan Eastern Railway:
Linseed Oil, Stand Oil. January 23. E.S.B. 292/62.*
Steel Rounds. January 23. E.S.B. 291/62.*
Steel Sheets. January 23. E.S.B. 290/62.*

PORTUGAL

Trolley Buses for Oporto Municipal Authorities. Closing date postponed to February 28. E.S.B. 39194/61.

PORTUGUESE EAST AFRICA

Locomotive Spares for the Ports, Railways and Transport Department. February 7. Tender documents (in Spanish) available for loan. E.S.B. 39892/61.*

PORTUGUESE WEST AFRICA

Hydro-Electric Scheme for Direccao-Geral de Obras Publicas e Communicacoes. March 20. E.S.B. 288/62.

SINGAPORE

Steel Pipes for City Council Water Department. February 13. E.S.B. 248/62.*

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France and Roumania

THE FRENCH *Moniteur Officiel du Commerce International* of November 25, 1961, announced that, by an exchange of letters, the Governments of the Republic of France, of certain African States and of the Republic of Malagasy on the one side and the Republic of Roumania on the other have renewed their trade agreement signed on February 17, 1961, for a period of one year with effect from January 1, 1962.

The French text of the notice may be seen at the Export Services Branch, Board of Trade, Room 722, Lacon House, Theobalds Road, London, W.C.2. Telephone: Chancery 4411, Extn. 345.

Morocco and United Arab Republic*

THE MOROCCAN *Bulletin Officiel* of September 29, 1961 published the extension of the trade agreement between Morocco and the United Arab Republic of July 13, 1958, for a further year until July 12, 1962.

New quotas added to the lists to be exchanged include railway equipment, sewing machines, pharmaceutical products, powdered pimento, jute sacks, aluminium leaf, crude iron, goat hair, mica sheets and replacement parts for vehicles.

The French text of the notice giving revised lists to be exchanged may be seen at the Export Services Branch, Board of Trade, Room 722, Lacon House, Theobalds Road, London, W.C.1.

* Details of the extension of this trade agreement were published before the break-up of the union between Syria and Egypt.

Morocco and Republic of Guinea

THE MOROCCAN *Bulletin Officiel* of November 10, 1961, published the extension of the trade agreement between Morocco and the Republic of Guinea signed in Conakry on October 20, 1960 (see *Board of Trade Journal* of January 13, 1961). The agreement is now valid from October 21, 1961, to October 20, 1962.

Quota lists attached to the agreement remain unchanged except for an increase in the quota for groundnuts from Guinea to Morocco.

The French text of the notice may be seen at the Export Services Branch, Board of Trade, Room 722, Lacon House, Theobalds Road, London, W.C.1.

Economic Conditions in United States and Iceland

Further studies in the economic conditions in member and associated countries of the O.E.C.D. are entitled 'United States' and 'Iceland'. Copies: H.M. Stationery Office, P.O. Box 569, London, S.E.1. 3s. each.

Tariff, Customs and Import Regulations in Overseas Countries

Registered Trade Mark (rtm) Goods in Overseas Tariff Lists

THE LISTS OF TARIFF, Customs and import regulation changes in overseas countries published in this section of the Journal sometimes contain words which are registered trade marks in the United Kingdom. So far as is practicable, all lists of goods are checked before publication from this point of view.

Items which fall into this category will now be prefixed by the letters 'r t m'. Readers of the Journal should note that this prefix signifies that the words are registered as trade marks in the United Kingdom, but that in the present context they are assumed to refer generally to products of the description stated in brackets.

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ICELAND

Reductions in Customs Duties on Some Goods

A NEW LAW, which was passed by the Althing on November 20, 1961, reduces the Icelandic Customs duties on a number of goods, mainly in the luxury class.

A translation of the law is reproduced in full below:

LAW

Concerning the Reduction of Import Duties and Charges on Various Goods

Section 1

Law No. 90/1954 concerning the Customs tariff, etc., with subsequent amendments, is amended as indicated below, as from the entry into force of this law:

A. On the imported goods mentioned in Section 2 of this law, *ad valorem* duty shall be payable as specified therein.

B. The undermentioned duties and charges are abolished, for the goods mentioned in Section 2:

(a) Specific duty under the Customs Tariff Law, No. 90/1954, together with the 340 per cent. surcharge thereon in accordance with Section 4 (I) (A) (b) of Law No. 79/1960, concerning the provisional amendment and extension of certain laws.

(b) The 80 per cent. surcharge on *ad valorem* duties under Section I (B) of Law No. 79/1960.

(c) Import tax under Section 10 of Law No. 4/1960, concerning economic matters.

Section 2

When goods in the undermentioned chapters and headings of the Customs tariff published by the Ministry of Finance in 1959 are imported, *ad valorem* duty shall be payable on the goods as indicated below:

	Ad valorem duty Per cent.
Chapter 6	
Flower bulbs of heading No. 8	70
Chapter 20	
Fruit, preparations of fruit and vegetables of headings Nos. 1-2, 4-6 and 11-12	92
Chapter 21	
Spiced preparations, soup powders and other food stuffs of headings Nos. 3, 4b, 5a and 5b	70
Chapter 31	
Cosmetics and toilet preparations of headings Nos. 17-18 and 20-24	92
Chapter 37	
Gloves and mittens of skin and leather of heading No. 3, and bags, pocket-books and other articles of skin and leather of heading No. 8	62
Chapter 38	
Furskins, dressed but not made up, of heading No. 2	62
Articles of furskin of heading No. 3	70
Chapter 39*A*	
Clothing of artificial plastic materials, of heading No. 8	70
Bags, pocket-books, purses and cases of all kinds, of artificial plastic materials, n.e.s., which are transferred to a new heading (10a) in the same chapter	62
Chapter 40	
Christmas trees of heading No. 20 and wooden articles of heading No. 59	92
Chapter 46*A*	
Carpets, floor mats or rugs and floor runners of silk, of heading No. 6	70
Woven fabrics of silk of heading No. 11b	62
Chapter 46*B*	
Man-made textile products of headings Nos. 6, 8-9, 11, 12a and 12c	62
Carpets, floor mats or rugs and floor runners of man-made textiles, of heading No. 7	70
Chapter 47	
Velvet and plush of wool, and woven fabrics of wool, of headings Nos. 6 and 13	62
Carpets, floor mats or rugs and floor runners of wool, of headings Nos. 7-9	70
Chapter 48	
Carpets, floor mats or rugs and floor runners of cotton, of headings Nos. 9-11	70
Cotton goods of headings Nos. 12-13	62
Chapter 49	
Carpets, floor mats or rugs and floor runners of miscellaneous materials, of headings Nos. 12-15	70
Chapter 50	
Woven fabrics of man-made fibres, coated, etc., of heading No. 34a	62
Chapter 51	
Knitted fabrics of silk and of man-made fibres, and knitted garments of wool, cotton, etc., of headings Nos. 1, 7, 15, 17, 21, 23 and 29	62
Knitted garments of silk and man-made fibres of headings Nos. 3, 5 and 9-11	70
Women's full-length stockings of man-made fibres, which are transferred to a new heading (8a) in the same chapter	30
Other stockings or socks of man-made fibres, which are transferred to a new heading (8b) in this chapter	70
Chapter 52	
Clothing of headings Nos. 1a, 1b, 3b, 3c, 4, 5a, 5b, 5c, 6, 7a, 7b, 7c, 9a, 9b, 9c, 10, 15c, 20-25	70
Clothing of headings Nos. 2, 11a, 11b, 11c, 14c and 16c	62
Chapter 54	
Women's footwear of headings Nos. 1-4 of this chapter, which are transferred – depending on the material – to the following four new headings: 1a, 2a, 3a and 4a in the same chapter	54
Chapter 55	
Hats and caps of headings Nos. 1-8 and 9	70
Hat shapes of heading No. 8a	62
Chapter 58	
Articles of stone and of mineral materials of heading No. 30	92
Chapter 59	
Baths, wash-basins and other articles of ceramic materials, of heading No. 7	54
Articles of ceramic materials of heading No. 10	92
Chapter 60	
Glass articles of heading No. 25	92
Chapter 63	
Baths, water closet bowls and other articles of iron and steel, of heading No. 88b	54
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Articles of base metal of heading No. 23	92
Chapter 73	
Lamps and electroliers of headings Nos. 55-57	70
Chapter 77	
Photographic apparatus and parts thereof, of heading No. 9	30
Cinematograph cameras and projectors of headings Nos. 10-11	50

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Iceland (*Continued*)

	Ad valorum duty Per cent.
Chapter 78	
Watches and parts thereof, of Nos. 1-3	30
Chapter 79	
Musical instruments of headings Nos. 1, 3, 5 and 7	50
Gramophone records (discs) of heading No. 11b	70
Chapter 82	
Articles made of artificial pearls, coral and plastic materials, of headings Nos. 1-2 and 8	92
Chapter 84	
Sports goods and fishing rods of headings Nos. 1 and 11	50
Toys of headings Nos. 2a, 2b and 2c	62
Christmas tree ornaments of heading No. 6	92
Chapter 85	
Buttons for clothing, of heading No. 1	62
Fountain pens, propelling pencils and other articles of heading No. 2	50
Lighters, smoking pipes, etc., of headings Nos. 3a and 3b	50

In the event of any dispute as to whether a particular commodity is to be chargeable with the *ad valorem* duty mentioned above, the Minister for Finance gives a decision. That decision is final in the matter.

Section 3

Should it appear that import duties and charges on imported goods covered by this law are lower than import duties and charges on the raw materials for goods of the same kind produced in this country, the Minister for Finance is empowered to reduce duties or charges on the raw materials if the value of those materials represents a substantial part of the cost of the goods manufactured in this country.

Section 4

This law comes into force at once and is operative until the end of 1962.

FINLAND

Customs Tariff Amendments

THE FINNISH Board of Customs have announced that the duty on switches, other, hand-operated, weighing each not more than 1 kilo net, and wall plugs and other similar connectors and terminals, weighing each not more than 1 kilo net, falling under Tariff Nos. 85.19.216 and 85.19.525 respectively, which were temporarily bound under the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade at 15 per cent. and (e) 5 per cent., will as from January 1, 1962, revert to the duty of 25 per cent. and (e) 5 per cent..

The EFTA duties of 10.5 per cent. and (e) 3.5 per cent. will remain in force.

Note: (e) placed before a customs duty indicates that the rate of duty is applicable if the importer is able to prove that corresponding goods are not commonly manufactured in Finland.

BELGIUM

Customs Service Facilities

A BELGIAN Ministerial Order dated December 6, 1961 (*Moniteur Belge* No. 292 of December 7, 1961), provides for the setting up of a Customs Clearance Service for passengers at Gooselies (Charleroi) and the re-naming of the Customs Office operating at Melsbroek, the Belgian National Airport, from Bruxelles (Melsbroek) to **Zaventem.** Other measures introduced under the Order concern the administration of the Customs Office at Petit-Lanaye, and the denomination of the Customs Office at Passe-Tout-Outre.

The Order came into force on January 1, 1962.

The text of the above-mentioned Order (in French) may be seen at the Export Services Branch (Tariff Section), Board of Trade, Room 722, Lacon House, Theobalds Road, London, W.C.1. (Telephone: Chancery 4411, Extension 386 or 387).

Pharmaceutical Calendar for 1961-62

The 1961-62 Calendar of the Pharmaceutical Society of Great Britain is now available. The Pharmaceutical Press, London. 20s. (by post 21s. 6d.).

THE NETHERLANDS

Turnover Tax Surcharge on Imported Goods

A NETHERLANDS Royal Decree dated December 4, 1961 (*Staatsblad* No. 400/1961) includes the following minor changes in the consolidated list of goods subject to turnover tax surcharge on import into The Netherlands.* **The decree came into force on January 1, 1962.**

Benelux Tariff No.	Description	Basic Turnover Tax	Turnover tax surcharge on imported goods	Effect of Decree of December 4, 1961
		Per cent.	Per cent.	Per cent.
Ex 84.55 C II	Typewriter parts	5	3	Change of tariff heading only.
87.06	Parts and accessories, for tractors, motor vehicles or special purpose motor lorries and vans (such as breakdown lorries, fire-engines, snowploughs, etc.):			
A	Assemblies not mentioned as such under any other tariff heading:			
Ex I	Wheels of sheet iron or sheet steel fitted with rubber tyres	5	2·5	New item.
II	Other than wheels fitted with detachable rubber tyres:			
b	Other than for agricultural tractors:			
Ex	For motor vehicles for the conveyance of goods, classified under Item 22 of Table III, annexed to the Turnover Tax Law 1954	5	3	Change of tariff heading only.
Ex	For motor vehicles for the transport of persons (including sports cars and trolleybuses)	5	3	Change of tariff heading only.
B	Other parts and accessories:			
III	Other than for bodywork or transmission and steering gear parts:			
a	Chassis frames; wheels of sheet or plate iron or steel; rims of iron or steel weighing more than 30 kg.; fuel tanks:			
Ex	Wheels of sheet iron or sheet steel fitted with rubber tyres	5	Nil	Minus 2·5.
87.07	Works trucks, mechanically propelled, of the types used in factories or warehouses for short distance transport or handling of goods (for example fork-lift trucks and platform trucks); tractors of the type used on railway station platforms; parts of the foregoing trucks and tractors:			
C	Parts:			
I	Assemblies not mentioned as such under any other tariff heading:			
Ex	Wheels of sheet iron or sheet steel fitted with rubber tyres	5	2·5	New item.
87.08	Tanks and other armoured fighting vehicles, motorized, whether or not fitted with weapons, and parts of such vehicles:			
B	Armoured cars and parts thereof:			
I	Complete vehicles; assemblies not mentioned as such under any other tariff heading:			
Ex	Wheels of sheet iron or sheet steel fitted with rubber tyres	5	2·5	New item.

Note: The turnover tax surcharge is additional to the basic turnover tax. This surcharge is levied on certain specified imported goods in order to remove or reduce any difference in burden that may arise between taxation on imported goods and taxation on goods manufactured in The Netherlands.

*The consolidated list of goods subject to turnover tax surcharge on import into The Netherlands was published in the *Board of Trade Journal* on October 14, 21, and 28, 1960, and certain changes in that list were published in the *Board of Trade Journal* of November 11, 1960, and November 17, 1961.

IRISH REPUBLIC

Exemption from Customs Duty Continued on Some Yarns

THE IRISH REPUBLIC Revenue Commissioners announce that the Government have made an Order entitled the Imposition of Duties (Yarn of Man-Made Fibres) Order, 1961. The effect of the Order is to continue up to December 31, 1962, the existing exemption on the following yarn of man-made fibres (Tariff Ref. No. 276/5):

Yarns commonly known as boucle, gimp, knop, chenille, bead, loop, curl, spiral, slub and snarl yarns.

FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY

Liberalization of Cinematograph Films

Under an order dated December 9, 1961 supplementary to the Foreign Trade Law the Federal German Minister for Trade and Industry has suspended with effect from January 1, 1962 all quantitative restrictions on the import into the Federal Republic of exposed and developed cinematograph films. The Order applies to all types of film for public or private exhibition imported from countries other than those of the Eastern Bloc.

YUGOSLAVIA

Abolition of 'Tourist' Rate of Exchange

IT HAS been reported from Belgrade that the Yugoslav Federal Executive Council, by decision of December 6, 1961, has abolished the special rate of exchange (1,680 dinars = £1) applicable to tourists, visiting businessmen, and diplomatic missions. The 'commercial' rate (2,100 dinars = £1) will apply in future to tourists, etc. The decision came into effect on January 1, 1962.

Details of the reformed foreign exchange and trading system of Yugoslavia were published in the *Board of Trade Journal* of February 24, 1961.

ITALY

Modifications to Customs Tariff

IN ARTICLE 4, line 3 of the text of the Decree published in the *Board of Trade Journal* of January 5, page 26 for 'ex 27.22-C-2 (note)' read 'ex 29.22-C-2 (note)'.

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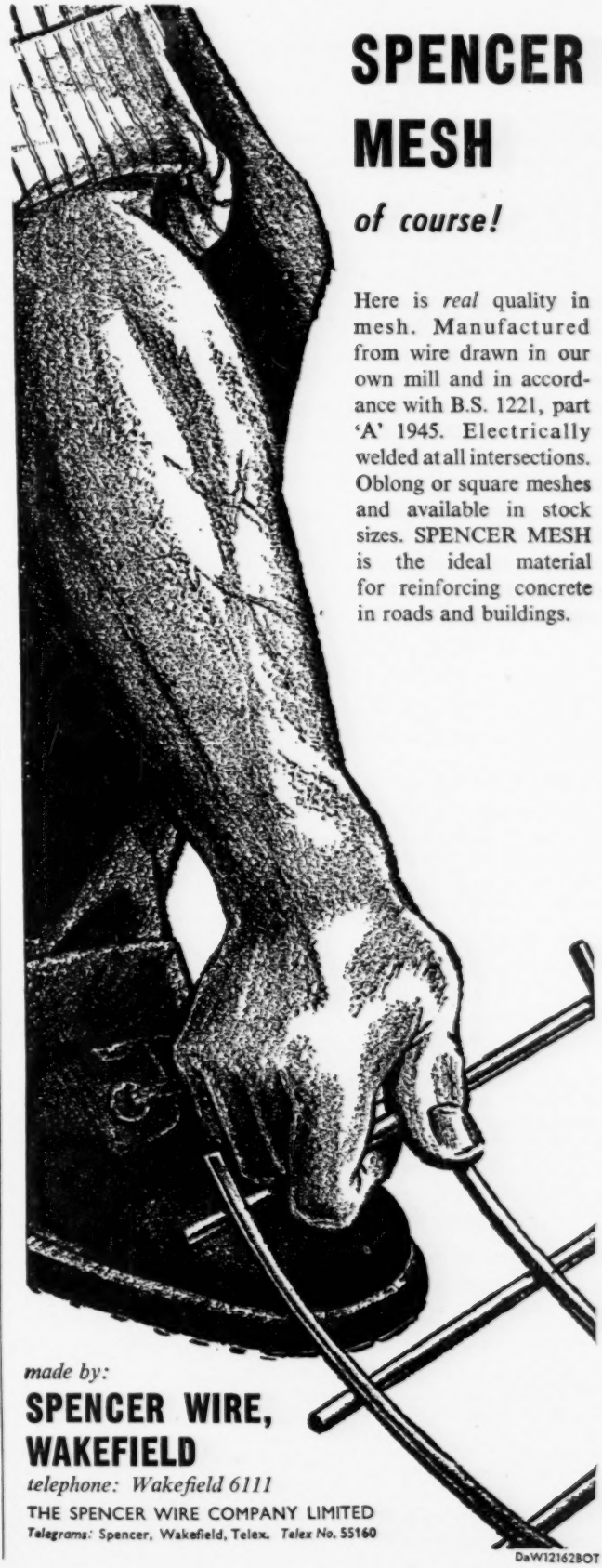

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FRANCE

Modification of Customs Duties

THE FRENCH *Journal Officiel* of December 31, 1961, published a decree modifying the French Customs Tariff as from January 1, 1962.

Modifications have also been made to the special tariffs of the other countries of the French Customs Union, namely, Corsica, the Departments of Algeria and the Sahara, Guadeloupe, Guiana, Martinique and Reunion, where they differ from that of Metropolitan France.

Changes have been made in the rates of duty on agricultural products listed in Annexe II to the Treaty of Rome, resulting from a further reduction of duties against the member countries of the European Economic Community and the first move towards the Common External Tariff against other countries.

Amendments, suspensions, provisional reductions and re-establishment of customs duties have also been made in other parts of the Tariff as follows:

Amendments

The following items have been amended to read:

Tariff No.	Description	Rate of Duty
		Per cent. *ad val.*)
	Common salt; pure sodium chloride; salt liquers; sea water:	
	Common salt:	
	Denatured or intended for other industrial purposes (including refining) than the preservation or preparation of foodstuffs:	
25.01 A (II) (a)	'Sels de coussin'	24.68 N.F. per 1,000 kgs. net.
25.01 A (II) (b)	Others	50.74 N.F. per 1,000 kgs. net.
	Fluorides; fluorosilicates, fluoroborates and other complex fluorine salts:	
	Fluosilicates, fluoborates and other fluorine salts:	
	Other than sodium and potassium fluorosilicates and potassium fluorozirconates:	
28.29 B (III) (a)	Fluorosilicates	15·1
28.29 B (III) (b)	Others	21·1
	Borates and perborates:	
	Borates:	
	Of sodium:	
	Anhydrous:	
28.46 A (I) (a) (1)	Imported for the manufacture of sodium perborate	Free
28.46 A (I) (a) (2)	Others	1·7
	Casks, barrels, vats, tubs, buckets and other coopers' products and parts thereof, of wood, other than staves falling within heading No. 44.08:	
	Assembled:	
44.22 B (I)	Casks, tuns or hogsheads	15·3
	Other articles of wood:	
44.28 A	Moulding patterns	7
	Ramie, raw or processed but not spun; ramie noils and waste.	
	Ramie combed or otherwise processed but not spun:	
54.02 B (II)	Other than containing at least 85% by weight of ramie	6
	Sacks and bags of a kind used for the packing of goods:	
	Of jute fabrics:	
62.03 A (I)	Used	20·6
62.03 A (II)	Other	23·5
	Of fabrics of other textile materials:	
	Used:	
62.03 B (I) (a)	Of linen or sisal	17
62.03 B (I) (b)	Others	19
	Not specified:	
62.03 B (II) (a)	Of linen or sisal	19·5
62.03 B (II) (b)	Others	19
	Transmission shafts, cranks, bearing housings, etc.:	
	Other than crank shafts or cam shafts for automobile engines:	
	Clutches:	
84.63 B (VI) (b)	Other than mechanical	18·6.
	Projectiles and ammunition, including mines; parts thereof including cartridge wads and lead shot:	
	For revolvers and pistols falling within heading 93.02 and sub-machine guns falling within heading 93.03:	
	Projectiles and ammunition other than those of war:	
93.07 A (II) (b)	Other than loaded cartridges	13·9

Suspensions of Duty

The duties on the following items have been suspended until December 31, 1962:

Tariff No.	Description
	Vegetable materials, whether or not put up on a layer between two layers of other material, of a kind used primarily as stuffing or as padding:
	Other than put up on a layer or between two layers of other material.
14.02 B (I)	Vegetable hair.
	Monoacids and their anhydrides, acid halides, acid peroxides and peracids and their halogenated, sulphonated, nitrated or nitrosated derivatives:
	Saturated acyclic mono-acids:
	Acetic acid, its salts and esters:
29.14 Ex A (II) (c) (5)	4 bromine, 17 alpha, 21 dihydroxy-3, 11, 20, pregnanetrione-21 acetate; pregnenolone acetate.
	Vegetable alkaloids, natural or reproduced by synthesis, and their salts, ethers, esters and other derivatives:
	Other than of opium or cinchona:
29.42 C (II) (a)	Crude cocaine.
29.42 Ex C (VIII) (c)	Natural alkaloids of ergot and dihydroergotamine and its salts.
	Essential oils (terpeneless or not); concretes and absolutes; resinoids:
	Essential oils not terpeneless:
	Other than of citrus fruit:
33.01 A (II) (b), Ex (c), (d)	Essences other than wormwood geranium (Bourbon, rosat, etc.), clove, niaonli and ylang-ylang.
	Tall oil:
38.05 A	Crude.
	Wood in the rough, whether or not stripped of its bark or merely roughed down:
44.03 Ex A	Of the species obeche.
	Wood simply squared:
44.04 Ex A	Of the species obeche.
	Wood sawn lengthwise, sliced or peeled, but not further prepared, of a thickness exceeding 5 mms.:
44.05 Ex A (I)	Of the species obeche.
	Glass beads, imitation pearls, imitation precious and semi-precious stones, etc.:
70.19 A (I) (a)	Glass beads, mechanically cut and polished.
70.19 A (III) (a)	Imitation precious and semi-precious stones, mechanically cut and polished.
71.04	Dust and powder of natural or synthetic precious or semi-precious stones.
	Iron or steel powders; sponge iron or steel:
73.05 B	Sponge iron or steel.

The duty on the following item has been suspended until December 31, 1964:

	Isotopes and their compounds, inorganic or organic:
28.51 A	Heavy hydrogen (deuterium) and compounds thereof (including heavy water); mixtures and solutions, containing deuterium and in which the ratio of the number of deuterium atoms to the normal hydrogen atoms exceeds 1 : 5,000.

The duty on the following item has been suspended until June 30, 1962:

	Hydrocarbons:
29.01 Ex D (VI)	Divinylbenzene.

The suspension of duties in the goods listed in the notice published in the *Board of Trade Journal* of September 15, 1961, page 602, has been extended until December 31, 1962 with the following exemptions:

29.13 Ex D (I) (b)	-dehydro-epiandrossterone.
29.15 C (II) (b)	Dimethyl terephthalate.
38.08 Ex C (II)	Dismuted colophanes, hydrogenated colophanes, polymerized and dimerized colophanes; potassic soaps of dismuted resins.

Re-establishment of Duty

The duty has been re-established on the following item:

	Tall oil:
38.05 B	Other than crude.

Provisional Reductions of Duty

The duty on the following items has been provisionally reduced until December 31, 1962:

Tariff No.	Description	Reduced Rate of Duty
		(Per cent. *ad val.*)
	Heterocyclic compounds, including nucleic acids:	
29.35 Ex O (VII) (a)	4-amino-5 (methoxy methyl)-2-propyl-pyrimidine	3
	3·5-dioxy-1·2 diphenyl-4-normal-butyl-pyrasolidine	6
	Provitamins and vitamins, natural or reproduced by synthesis, including concentrates and inter-mixtures, whether or not in any solvent:	
29.38 Ex B (I) (e)	Vitamin B	4
	Glycosides, natural or reproduced by synthesis, and their salts, ethers, esters and other derivatives:	
29.41 Ex A	Acetyl digitoxine, lamatoside C, lamatoside A + B + C and digitoxine	2
29.41 Ex D	Pure glucoside of squill and salt of calcium Sennoside A and B	2

France (*Continued*)

Duty Quotas

The French *Journal Officiel* of December 29, 1961, announced that the quotas for the duty free import of certain wire rod, classified under tariff item 73-15 A (IV) (b) (1) and for the import of certain iron or steel coils classified under tariff item 73.08 A (I) at the reduced rate of 3 per cent., have been fixed at 2,250 and 10,000 metric tons respectively for the period from January 1, to June 30, 1962.

The full descriptions and conditions are the same as those in the notice published in the *Board of Trade Journal* of July 7, 1961, page 55.

The certificates when issued will be valid until June 30, 1962.

The French text of the above notices may be seen at the Export Services Branch, Board of Trade, Room 722, Lacon House, Theobalds Road, London, W.C.1.

SYRIA

Importation Without Foreign Currency

THE SYRIAN Foreign Trade Department communique No. 6428/5/H dated November 21, which was published in the *Board of Trade Journal* on January 5 (page 28) has been cancelled.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Editorial communications should be addressed to the Editor, *Board of Trade Journal*, Room 2410, Board of Trade, Horse Guards Avenue, London, S.W.1 (Telephone: Trafalgar 8855, Ext. 2192). Telegrams and cables should be addressed 'Boneblack, London.'

FRANCE AND ALGERIA

Liberalization of Imports

THE FRENCH *Journal Officiel* of December 31, 1961, published the following modifications to the list of goods which remain subject to quantitative restrictions in France and Algeria when imported from and originating in the member countries of the former Organization for European Economic Co-operation and their dependent overseas territories (see *Board of Trade Journal* of April 14, 1961, pages 903 to 905 and of April 21, 1961, pages 955 to 956).

Items removed from List I (Non-Liberalization Items) on January 1, 1962:

Tariff No.	Description
	Fatty acids; oils from refining, fatty alcohols:
	Other fatty acids for industrial purposes; oils from refining:
	Other fatty acids for industrial purposes:
15-10 Ex C (I)	Containing more than 85% of lauric acid.
15.11	Glycerol and glycerol lyes.
18.03	Cocoa paste (in bulk or in block) whether or not defatted.
18.04	Cocoa butter (fat or oil).
18.05	Cocoa powder (unsweetened).
	Ethyl alcohol undenatured, of a strength of less than 80°; spirits, liqueurs and other spirituous beverages; compound alcoholic preparations for the manufacture of beverages:
22.09 Ex C (I)	Arrack.
	Other (than whisky and gin):
	Products conforming to internal legislation:
22.09 C (III) (b) (1)	Spirits.
	Paper and paperboard (including cellulose wadding), machine-made in rolls or sheets:
	Other than newsprint, cigarette paper, kraft paper and board, and stencil paper weighing 15 grams or less:
	Other than condenser paper, wool felt paper, cellulose wadding or paper for periodical publications:
	Made in continuous lengths:
	Other than strawpaper and strawboard; and paper and paperboard of which the interior one surface is of straw:
	Containing mechanical pulp in a proportion of:
	More than 60%:
48.01 Ex E (II) (d) (1) (n) (u) (x)	Weighing from 45 grams exclusive to 70 grams inclusive per square metre.
	Tractors, including winch tractors:
	Other than motor cultivators:
	Other than winch tractors:
	With spark-ignition or compression-ignition engine:
	Wheeled tractors:
87.01 B (II) (a) (2) (m)	Road tractors.
	Motor vehicles for the transport of persons, goods or materials:
	For the transport of goods:
	Other than for highly-radioactive material:
	With spark-ignition or compression-ignition engine:
	With a cylinder capacity of less than 3,000 c.c.:
87.02 Ex B (II) (a) (I)	With compression-ignition engine:
	With a cylinder capacity of 3,000 c.c. or more:
87.02 Ex B (II) (a) (2)	From 3,000 c.c. to 12,000 c.c. inclusive.
	Chassis, fitted with engines, for the motor vehicles falling within headings 87.01, 87.02 or 87.03:
	With spark-ignition or compression-ignition of a capacity of:
	Less than 3,000 c.c.:
87.04 Ex A (I)	With compression-ignition engine:
87.04 A (II)	Of 3,000 c.c. or more.
	Bodies (including cabs) for the motor vehicles falling within headings Nos. 87.01, 87.02 or 87.03:
87.05 B	For goods transport, including tipping lorries.
	Parts and accessories of the motor vehicles falling within headings Nos. 87.01, 87.02 or 87.03:
	Chassis parts and accessories:
87.06 B (I)	Wheeled chassis frames and wheeled motorless unit construction chassis with or without brake gear.
87.06 B (II)	Bare chassis and parts thereof.
	Other clocks, not having watch movements:
91.04 A	Electric.
	Other:
91.04 B (II)	Clocks and alarm clocks weighing 1 kg. or less (except wall cuckoo-clocks).
91.04 Ex B (III)	Other with the exception of '400' day' clocks and clocks with automatic re-winding by temperature or pressure variation
91.08	Assembled clock movements.

Items to be Removed from List I on April 1, 1962, without Publication of a further notice:

Tariff No.	Description
91.01	Pocket-watches, wrist-watches and other watches, including stop-watches.
91.02	Clocks with watch movements.
91.03	Instrument panel clocks and clocks of a similar type, for vehicles aircraft or vessels.
91.07	Assembled watch movements.
91.09	Watch cases and parts of watch cases, including blanks thereof.
91.11	Other clock and watch parts.

Items to be removed from List I on October 1, 1962, without publication of a further notice:

	Radiotelegraphic and radiotelephonic transmission and reception apparatus; radio-broadcasting and television transmission and receiving apparatus:
	Transmitting and receiving apparatus:
	Receiving apparatus combined or not with apparatus for recording or reproducing sound:
	Radio-broadcasting:
85.15 Ex A (III) (b)	Battery functioning.
	Parts:
	Other than cabinets and cases:
	Assembly of pieces forming a part of radio-electric apparatus:
85.15 Ex C (II) (a)	Containing crystal diodes, triodes and other crystal valves, including transistors.
	Lamps, tubes and valves:
85.21 C	Crystal diodes, triodes and other crystal valves, including transistors.
	Parts:
85.21 E (I)	Of crystal diodes, triodes and other crystal valves, including transistors.

List II (Goods Originating in Hong Kong remaining subject to Quantitative Restriction) is amended as follows:

Add:	
85.21 C, 85.21 E (I)	Diodes, triodes, etc., of crystal, including transistors and their parts.
91.01, 91.02, 91.03, 91.04, 91.07, 91.08, 91.09, 91.11	Clock-makers' wares.

Tariff No. 85.15 should now read as follows:

	Radiotelegraphic and radiotelephonic transmission and reception apparatus, etc.:
	Transmitting and receiving apparatus:
	Receiving apparatus:
85.15 Ex A (II) (b)	Radio-broadcasting.
	Parts:
	Other than cabinets and cases:
85.15 Ex C (II) (a)	Assembly of pieces forming a part of radio-electric apparatus.

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France and Algeria *(Continued)*

List III. (Goods for which a Visa from the Appropriate Service Technique is required) is amended as follows:

Tariff No.	Description
Under:	B. Ministere de l'Industrie Direction des Industries Diverses et des Textiles.
Add:	
Ex 48.01	Paper and paperboard machine-made, including cellulose wadding, in rolls or sheets, not specially mentioned, made in continuous lengths, containing mechanical pulp in a proportion of more than 60%, weighing from 45 grammes inclusive to 70 grammes exclusive per square metre.
Under:	Direction des Industries Mecaniques et Electriques.
Add:	
87.01 B (II) (a) (2) (na)	Road tractors.
	Motor vehicles for the transport of goods:
87.02 Ex B (II) (a) (1)	With a compression ignition engine with a cylinder capacity of less than 3,000 c.c.
87.02 Ex B (II) (a) (2)	With spark ignition or compression ignition engine with a cylinder capacity of 2,000 c.c. to 12,000 c.c. inclusive.
	Chassis fitted with engines for motor vehicles:
87.04 Ex A (I)	With a compression ignition engine with a cylinder capacity of less than 3,000 c.c.
87.04 Ex A (II)	With spark ignition or compression ignition engine with a cylinder capacity of 3,000 c.c. or more.
	Chassis parts and accessories:
87.06 B (I)	Wheeled chassis frames and wheeled motorless unit construction chassis.
87.06 B (II)	Bare chassis and parts thereof.
91.01, 91.02, 91.03, 91.07, 91.09, 91.11	Clockmakers' wares.
Delete:	
92.11 B (III) (b)	Sound reproduction apparatus other than for direct reproduction mechanically or electrically driven.

N.B.—Applications to import goods classified under items 87.01 B (II) (a) (2) (m), 87.02 B (II) (a) (2) and 87.04 A (II), which have three axles or more or two driving axles or more, and 87.06 B (I) and (II), must state whether the equipment is new or used.

Authority to import new equipment will be granted automatically after attestation from the appropriate authority, but in the case of used equipment, the condition and price will be taken into consideration.

The French text of the notice may be seen at the Export Services Branch, Board of Trade, Room 722, Lacon House, Theobalds Road, London, W.C.1.

FEDERATION OF RHODESIA AND NYASALAND

Suspension of Customs Duty

FEDERAL Government Notice No. 439, published in the Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland *Government Gazette* of December 29, 1961 amends, with effect from that date, the existing list of suspensions of duty as follows:

(a) by the repeal of the following item:

Item	Effective Rate of Duty			
	Duty A	Duty B	Duty C	Duty D
Ex 119 (1) (a) Semi-processed conduit fittings *ad val.*	20%	10%	Free	Free

(b) by the repeal of the following item:

Item	Effective Rate of Duty			
	Duty A	Duty B	Duty C	Duty D
285 (2) Reels, including centres and cones, for packing, n.e.e. . . . . *ad val.*	10%	5%	Free	Free

and by the substitution therefor of the following item:

Item	Effective Rate of Duty			
	Duty A	Duty B	Duty C	Duty D
Ex 285 (2) Reels, including centres and cones, for packing, n.e.e. . . . . *ad val.*	10%	Free	Free	Free

SOUTH AFRICA

Proposed Compulsory Standard Specifications for Some Electrical Equipment

GOVERNMENT NOTICE No. 457, published in the *Republic of South Africa Government Gazette* of December 15, 1961, sets out proposed compulsory standard specifications for certain electrical equipment as follows:

'In terms of subsection (3) of section *fifteen* of the Standards Act, 1945 (Act No. 24 of 1945), as amended, and upon the recommendation of the Council for Scientific and Industrial Research the Honourable the Minister of Economic Affairs proposes to declare the undermentioned standard specifications framed by that Council to be compulsory standard specifications for those commodities.

'Interested persons who have any objections against the proposed declaration by the Minister of these specifications as compulsory standard specifications are hereby called upon to lodge such objections in writing with the Director, South African Bureau of Standards, Private Bag 191, Pretoria, within two months of the date of publication hereof.

PURPORT OF PROPOSED COMPULSORY STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS.

'The relevant specifications cover the minimum safety requirements in respect of the undermentioned commodities:

	Standard specification.
Manually operated airbreak switches . .	SV 124 – 1960
Portable electric immersion heaters . .	SV 125 – 1960
Electric air heaters and radiators . . .	SV 126 – 1960
Flexible cords for power and lighting purposes	SV 127 – 1960
Portable electrical appliances for heating liquids	SV 128 – 1960
Plugs, socket outlets and socket outlet adaptors	SV 129 – 1960
Electric hand lamps	SV 130 – 1960
Electric stoves and hotplates	SV 131 – 1960
Lampholders and bayonetcap lampholder adaptors	SV 132 – 1960
Apparatus connectors for portable domestic appliances	SV 133 – 1960

'The complete standard specifications mentioned above are obtainable upon request from the Director, South African Bureau of Standards, Private Bag 191, Pretoria.'

It will be noted that interested persons who have any objections against the proposed declaration of these specifications as compulsory standard specifications may lodge their objections in writing with the Director of the South African Bureau of Standards within two months of the date of publication of the notice, i.e. by February 15, 1962.

GHANA

Import Licensing

FOLLOWING THE introduction of Import Licensing, details of which were published in *The Board of Trade Journals* dated December 7 and 22, 1961, the Ghana Controller of Imports and Exports has announced that Open General Licences will now be applicable in respect of the following:

O.G.L. No. 1. Single copies addressed to individuals, of books, magazines, periodicals, and the like, except those within the meaning of Item 9 and 14 of the Second Schedule of Customs Ordinance (Cap. 167).

O.G.L. No. 2. Non-merchandise articles such as trade samples, personal and household effects, gifts, etc.

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O.G.L. No. 4.

(a) Cocoa beverage, cocoa malted food drink, chocolate and chocolate confectionery;
(b) Day old chicks;
(c) Animal feeds;
(d) Seeds;
(e) School text books, reference books and stationery for educational purposes only;
(f) Religious books.

Specific Imports

The importation of all goods, other than those covered by Open General Licence, requires the authority of a Specific Licence. Applications must be submitted to the Controller of Imports and Exports, P.O. Box M.47, Accra.

Expiry of Import Licences

Unless specifically stated otherwise, import licences are valid for the importation of goods which leave the country of export on or before the date of expiry of the import licence. Consignments despatched after that date are liable to be treated as illegal imports.

CEYLON

Imports of Cement

FURTHER TO THE notice published in the *Board of Trade Journal* dated December 22, 1961, the British Trade Commissioner in Colombo has reported that the term 'cement' means standard Portland Cement and the term 'Rs. 90 c.i.f.' means Rs. 90 c.i.f. free discharge (i.e. cost of stevedoring out being on buyer's account).

Imports of French Polish

IMPORT CONTROL Notice No. 45/61 published in the Ceylon Government Gazette 12,843 dated January 3, informs importers that an individual import licence is now required for the importation of French polishes from any source. No licences will be issued for their importation.

SINGAPORE

Pioneer Industries Ordinance

THE SINGAPORE Government propose to declare the following industries and products to be Pioneer Industries and Pioneer Products under the Pioneer Industries (Relief from Income Tax) Ordinance, 1959:

Industries	*Products*
(A) Plastics	Plastic Products
(B) Chemcials	Naphthalene balls and tablets
(C) Metal Manufacture	Steel Bitumen Containers

This notice means that the Minister of Finance is satisfied that the products mentioned above should be made in Singapore. Firms to which Pioneer Certificates are granted will enjoy the benefit of exemption from Singapore Income Tax for a period of five years. Any person may object to the making of the proposed order by giving notice in writing to the Minister of Finance, on or before January 22, 1962.

The Singapore Government has also declared the following to a Pioneer Industry and Pioneer Products under the above-mentioned Ordinance:

Products	*Industry*
Steel making and rolling	(i) Ingots (ii) Billets (iii) Rolled steel products

A preliminary notice of the intention of the Singapore Government to designate these industries and products appeared in the *Board of Trade Journal* of October 20, 1961 (page 837).

Further inquiries about the Pioneer Industries legislation may be made to the Commercial Relations and Exports Department, Board of Trade, Horse Guards Avenue, London, S.W.1. (Telephone: Trafalgar 8855, Ext. 2317.) Please quote reference C.R.E. 11038/60.

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AUSTRALIA

Revision of Customs By-Laws

THE AUSTRALIAN Department of Customs and Excise have announced changes in the By-laws shown below:

New By-laws

The undermentioned goods will be admitted under the following tariff items until further notice:

Goods	Classification and Duty under the British Preferential Tariff	
	Tariff Item	Rate of Duty
DRUGS AND CHEMICALS:		
Medicines, viz.:		
Cinnarizine		
Drops, eye, packed in single dose sterile applicators *Administrative Note – Single dose eye drops contain approximately 12 drops only or less and are discarded after one usage.*	285 (B) (1)	Free
Hydrocortisone sodium succinate		
Lobelia concentrated extract, but not including goods covered by clauses 1 and 2 of the preamble		
Nandrolone decanoate		
INFANTS' AND INVALIDS' FOODS, viz.:		
Edosol (Trufood Formula No. 5)		
Galactomin (Trufood Formula No. 11)	55	Free
Locasol (Trufood Formula No. 10)		
Milk, goats', dehydrated		
WOVEN PIECE-GOODS of man-made fibres or containing man-made fibres, otherwise classifiable under Tariff Item 105 (D) (1) (a), viz.: Composed wholly of man-made fibres of polyvinyl alcohol, weighing more than 7 ounces per square yard, for use in the manufacture of sails for yachts and other sailing vessels, under security	105 (D) (4)	Free

Amended By-laws

The following By-laws have been amended to apply to the goods as shown:

DRUGS AND CHEMICALS:		
Urea as follows:		
For all purposes other than as or for use in the manufacture of fertilizers or animal or stock feeds or licks, under security	280 (P) (1) (b)	Free
For use in a factory, in the manufacture of animal or stock feeds or licks containing: Not less than 20 per cent. by weight of common salt; or Not more than 10 per cent. by weight of urea, under security.		
PETROLEUM OILS AND OILS OBTAINED FROM BITUMINOUS MINERALS, viz.: Hydrocarbon solvents otherwise classifiable under Tariff Item 226 (B) (3) (c) for all purposes except for use as fuel or for admixture with fuel, under security	226 (B) (3) (a)	Free

Substitute Notice Amended

The Australian Customs and Excise Substitute Notice is re-published below in full for information. It incorporates amending Substitute Notices 2 to 5 inclusive:

Whereas it is provided in section 139 of the Customs Act 1901-1960 that whenever any goods are imported which, in the opinion of the Minister, are a substitute for any dutiable goods or are intended to be or can be used as such substitute or for any purpose for which such dutiable goods can be used or for any similar purpose, the Minister may by *Gazette* Notice direct that such first mentioned goods shall be charged with duty chargeable upon such dutiable goods and the same shall be so charged accordingly:

This Notice may be cited as Substitute Notice No. 1.

The Schedule

FIRST COLUMN (Substitute)	SECOND COLUMN (Dutiable Goods for which Goods in First Column are Substitutes)
Ammonium bicarbonate	Ammonium carbonate.
Capsicine	5½ times the same quantity by weight of ground chillies.
Cotton, waste, either dyed or natural, produced during the process of spinning raw cotton into yarn.	Cotton, raw.
Discs and other shapes of celluloid or of artificial plastic material, suitable for use as watch glasses.	Glasses, watch.
Gingerine	14 times the same quantity by weight of ground ginger.
Glass, float, ¼-inch and over in thickness	Glass, plate.
Instant, soluble and other concentrated powdered coffee or coffee extracts.	3 times the same quantity by weight of ground coffee.
Instant, soluble and other concentrated powdered tea or tea extracts.	3 times the same quantity by weight of tea.
Insulators, wholly or in chief part by weight of synthetic resin and fillers.	Insulators, porcelain.
Mats, table, being goods for which provision for classification according to composition is not made in the Customs Tariff.	Mats, table, classifiable under Tariff Item 120 (A).
Mouldings, picture and room, of plaster or other composition.	Mouldings, picture and room, of timber.
Non-pile cloths imitating fur, of wool or containing wool, not knitted or lockstitched, except in respect of such goods in direct transit on or before April 10, 1961.	Piece-goods of wool or containing wool classifiable under Tariff Item 105 (F) (1).
Preparations containing propyl alcohol	Similar preparations containing ethyl alcohol.
Propyl alcohol	Ethyl alcohol.
Sheets, flexible, composed in chief part by weight leather fibres, bonded with rubber or rubber substitutes.	Leather, n.e.i.
Synthetic resin emulsions of the acrylic type in any polymerized or co-polymerized form, for use in the manufacture of paints, enamels or varnishes.	Synthetic resin emulsions of the styrene-acrylic type in any polymerized or co-polymerized form, suitable for use in the manufacture of paints, enamels or varnishes, covered by Tariff Item 369 (C) (6) (c).
Tape or textile strip made waterproof otherwise than with rubber oil, celluloid or nitro-cellulose, if suitable for use in the manufacture of apparel.	Tape or textile strip, waterproofed, prepared with rubber oil celluloid or nitro-cellulose.
Tapes, not woven, of ethyl cellulose, cellulose esters or synthetic resins, having a substance not exceeding 70 lb. for 480 sheets 20 inches by 25 inches, in widths less than 6 inches, printed, embossed or not, self adhesive or not, including such tapes incorporating reinforcing filaments of any material, but not including tapes for tape recorders.	Similar tapes of paper.
Tomato pulp puree paste or powder (i.e. whether in wet or dry condition), containing more than 7 per cent. by weight of dry solids: in vesssls not exceeding one quart	14 times the same number of vessels of the same size containing tomato pulp multiplied by the weight of dry solids expressed as a proportion of the total weight.
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NEW ZEALAND

Import Licensing Arrangements

THE NEW ZEALAND Customs Department has announced the following decisions in relation to the 1961 and Supplementary Import Licensing Schedules:

Transfers of Licences (see *Board of Trade Journal* of November 10, 1961, page 992).

The last line of Schedule 1 should read:

Various—All items covering spare parts of machines, etc.

Drugs, Chemicals, etc., as may be approved by the Minister of Customs, etc. – Tariff Item 121(3).

As a result of the Customs Tariff (Drugs, Chemicals, and Medicinal Preparations) Order 1961 (see *Board of Trade Journal* of November 3, 1961, page 942), certain drugs, chemicals, and medicinal preparations approved by the Minister now qualify for entry under Tariff item 121 (3) at reduced rates of duty. Any such goods so approved may be admitted during the current and Supplementary periods under licences held for the item under which the particular drug was formerly classed.

Amendment to Supplementary Import Licensing Schedule.

Item Code 449-10, Carborundum grains, etc., is amended by the deletion of the words 'stones, imitation, not being beads.' These goods are classed under Tariff item 448 (3) and any licences for their importation are to be issued under item code 448-10.

Importation of Tractor Tyres as Original Equipment.

The dispensation to permit the importation of tyres as original equipment with tractors is further extended until December 31, 1962.

Recent Publications

Iron and Steel Report

The Iron and Steel Holding and Realisation Agency have published their eighth Annual Report and Statement of Accounts for 1960/61. According to the Report, the number of subsidiaries in which the Agency have direct holdings was reduced by September 30, 1961, to seven (including one company in voluntary liquidation) as compared with 71 on July 13, 1953, and eight on September 30, 1960. Copies from H.M. Stationery Office. 5s. 6d.

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ARGENTINA

Modifications to Import Lists

H.M. EMBASSY at Buenos Aires report the publication of Argentine Government Decrees Nos. 9795 of October 30, and 11243 of November 24, 1961, which modify as follows the lists attached to Decree No. 5439/61 (see *Board of Trade Journal* of May 29, 1959, page 1278):

Decree No. 9795

Tariff Nos. 4317, 4318, 4319, 4659 *and* 4710.

The last paragraph of this item in List No. 5 (150 per cent. surcharge) which reads as follows:

'The pigments used in stamping and marking in liquid form, powder and/or paste . . . under Nos. RB 10 to RB 97 inclusive'

is hereby modified to read:

'The pigments used in stamping and marking in liquid form, powder and/or paste, with or without thickening agents, with and without fixing agents.'

Tariff No. 4768 – Anti-fouling paint for the hulls of ships.

The wording of this item in List No. 4 (100 per cent. surcharge) is hereby modified to read:

'Anti-fouling paint for the hulls of ships and anti-acidic resins having phenol-formaldehyde as a basis, "Phenytal" type and similar'.

Include in List No. 3 (40 per cent. surcharge):

Tariff No. 4744 *bis* – Ribbons, in rolls, of polystyrene ('Styroflex', 'Polystyrol', 'Tricite' and similar types) of polyethylene glycol terephthalate ('Mylar' and similar types) of polycarboxylic acids with alkyphenols ('Makrofol' and similar types) and of simple acetic esters and celluluse mixtures ('Triafol' and similar types) in maximum widths of 120 mm. only.

Include in List No. 2 (20 per cent. surcharge):

Tariff No. 4280 – Betamethasone.

Include in List No. 4 (100 per cent. surcharge):

Tariff No. 4794 – Special compositions made from synthetic tanners' compounds with or without surface active agent properties.

Decree No. 11243

Include in List No. 2 (20 per cent. surcharge):

Tariff No. 1317 – Phosphor bronze wire of less than 0·5 mm. diameter.

Tariff No. 1461 – Brass wire of less than 0·3 mm. diameter.

Tariff No. 1731 – Railway material in general. Add to the exclusions under this item in List No. 3 (40 per cent. surcharge):

'Boosters and economisers and other items specifically included under other Tariff numbers.'

Include in List No. 1 (without surcharge):

Tariff No. 4247/59 – Additives (inhibitors, improvers and antioxidants) for fuels and lubricants, other than those specifically included in Lists Nos. 2, 3, 4 and 5 or products which are specifically excluded from these Lists.

THE PARTICULARS of Article 5 of Argentine Government Decree No. 9789 were not included in the details published in the *Board of Trade Journal* of December 29, 1961 (page 1328). The Article should read as follows:

Eliminate from List 5 (150 per cent. surcharge):

Tariff No. 4874. Product composed principally of a synthetic thermoplastic material (polyvinyl chloride) and an inorganic pigment (titanium dioxide) (white vinyl resin chips).

Tariff No. 4784. Product, in granules, having the characteristics of polyvinyl chloride with an inorganic pigment (lead chromate) (medium chrome yellow vinyl resin chips).

Tariff No. 4744 *bis.* Granules composed of polyvinyl chloride with the addition of carbon pigment (black vinyl resin chips C-5088).

Tariff No. 4744 *bis.* Products having the characteristics of polyvinyl chloride with the addition of carbon pigment (black vinyl resin chip).

Tariff No. 4744 *bis.* Granules consisting of polyvinyl chloride with the addition of carbon pigment (black vinyl resin lump, C-5047).

VENEZUELA

Import Control and Customs Tariff

BY A JOINT Resolution issued by the Venezeulan Ministries of Finance and Development, published in the *Official Gazette* of November 27, 1961, and effective from December 26, 1961, the Customs Tariff has been amended as follows, and imports of items marked with the number four (4) have also been made subject to licence:

Item No.	Description	Duty
		Bs.
024-01-01	Cheddar	1·20
024-01-02	Gouda (4) (Gouda cheese is taken to mean the product obtained from whole or lightly skimmed milk, of medium-hard consistency, with round, bright 'eyes' (i.e. holes), without the addition of artificial colouring materials. Its fat content must not be less than 40% and its moisture not more than 45%. These cheeses generally have a very sweet and smooth taste and are covered with red coloured paraffin wax or other waxes. They are made in units of a cylindrical form from 325 kilograms in weight.)	1·20
024-01-03	Munster (4)	1·20
024-01-04	Processed (except cheddar) (4)	1·20
024-01-05	Parmesan (4)	1·20
024-01-09	Other types of cheeses, n.e.s., and curd of all kinds	4·00

Shipments of merchandise covered by consular invoices dated either the same as or earlier than December 26, 1961, will be exempt from the provision regarding import licences.

Import Regulations

CONFIRMATION has been received that by a Resolution published in the *Venezuelan Official Gazette* of December 15, 1961, and effective from the same date, all import licences already issued which are valid up to December 31, 1961, will be extended to January 31, 1962, provided that the goods for which they were issued are covered by a consular invoice dated either December 31, 1961, or before.

GUATEMALA

100 per cent. Customs Surcharge on British Goods

FROM TIME to time notices have appeared in the *Board of Trade Journal* about the surcharge imposed on British goods by the Guatemalan Government. The following is a brief summary of the present position.

The surcharge of 100 per cent. of the appropriate Customs Duty is applied to all goods originating in Great Britain and a number of other countries. The following goods are, however, exempt:

Medicinal products
Pharmaceutical specialities
Empty vials and containers of ordinary metals
Woollen and cotton yarns
Jute fabrics
Loose natural silk yarns
Hemp or jute yarns

The surcharge is not levied on those goods which are subject to duties agreed with other Central American countries as a result of Common Market negotiations.

Goods ordered by Government Departments or State Agencies are free of duty, so that the surcharge is automatically of no effect.

Under the Industrial Development Law (Decree No. 1317) which came into effect on October 23, 1959 (see *Board of Trade Journal* of November 13, 1959, page 784) exemption from import duties and taxes can be given to certain new or existing industries. The result of this is that in such cases the surcharge is in fact of no effect. Exporters should, however, note that, by Government Decree dated November 16, 1961, and published in the *Guatemalan Diario Official* on November 19, all cargo which is covered by Decree No. 1317 and is imported via the ports

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MEXICO

Goods Subject to Prior Import Licence

DECREES appearing in the Mexican *Diario Oficial* on, and effective from, the dates stated made the products included in the following tariff headings subject to prior import licence:

Published on December 9, 1961.
Rice under heading No. 050.00.00.

Published on December 14, 1961.
Beer in any kind of container under headings Nos. 100.03.05* and 100.03.06.*
Sheets of polyvinyl chloride, unplastified, for use exclusively in the manufacture of flexible gramophone records under heading No. 610.06.03.

* The requirement of prior import licence is extended to the Free Zones and Perimeters of the country.

Decrees appearing in the Mexican *Diario Oficial* and effective on the date of publication, made the goods included in the following tariff headings, subject to prior import licence:

Published on December 19, 1961
402.01.00 Vegetable waxes of any kind.

Published on December 20, 1961
Machines for the oils and fats extracting industry which are imported in accordance with the conditions established by Rule 14 of the Mexican General Import Tariff.

*700.01.25 For the oils and fats extracting industry.

762.00.30 Valves for explosion engines, and separate parts thereof, identifiable as being exclusively for automobiles.

762.00.07 Simply cast or forged pieces of iron or steel, provided it is proved that they are intended for the manufacture of parts of automobile driving gear. (Restriction is only for those which are intended for the manufacture of valves for explosion engines, and separate parts thereof, identifiable as being exclusively for automobiles.)

762.00.23 Clutches for explosion engine driving gear, and separate parts thereof, identifiable as being exclusively for automobiles (except those included in fraction 762.00.53). (Restriction refers to discs for clutches with or without gaskets.)

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BRITISH GUIANA

Customs Tariff Amendment

UNDER the Customs Duties (Amendment) Order 1961, the second proviso to Part I of the British Guiana Customs Tariff is further amended by the insertion of the following new items:

Goods	Rate of Import Duty	
	Preferential Tariff	General Tariff
		Per cent.
(12) Textile yarns when imported to the satisfaction of the Comptroller for weaving and knitting of fabrics by or on behalf of a manufacturer of textiles	Free	5
(13) Greige fabrics when imported to the satisfaction of the Comptroller for use in a textile dyeing and finishing factory	Free	5
(14) Chemicals when imported to the satisfaction of the Comptroller for use in a textile bleaching, dyeing and finishing factory	Free	16

URUGUAY

Amendments to Import Lists

H.M. EMBASSY at Montevideo reports the publication of Uruguayan Bank of the Republic Circulars 66/88 of November 20 and 66/89 of November 28 which make the following amendments to the Uruguayan Import Lists published in the *Board of Trade Journal* on December 16, 23 and 30, 1960:

Sub-Group	Commodity	Surcharge	C.i.f. Price
		Per cent.	(Average)
ADDITIONS			
36-100	Electric generating sets	—	—
41-276	Circular discs and blades of less than 28 in. diameter for ploughs, harrows and seeders	40	—
42-637	Synthetic textile fibres in short lengths (without having been carded or combed or having undergone any preparatory spinning process)	—	—
ESTABLISHMENT OF SURCHARGES			
32-027	Barbed wire	40	—
32-030	Galvanized oval steel wire or imitations	40	—
43-423	Sodium sulphide	40	—
ESTABLISHMENT OF AVERAGE C.I.F. PRICES			
37-333	Metal netting whether covered or not	—	U.S.$1 per kilo
MODIFICATION TO AVERAGE C.I.F. PRICES			
45-174	Bandages and gauze for medical use	—	Elastic bandage (crepe type) U.S. $7 per kilo

COSTA RICA

Customs Tariff Changes

CHANGES in the Costa Rican Customs Tariff have been made under the following Decrees:

Tariff No.	Description	Unit	Duty
Decree No. 2920 of November 24, 1961.			(Colones)
025-01-00	Edible eggs in the shell		
025-01-00-01	Fertile poultry eggs, for reproduction, with recommendation of the Ministry of Agriculture	Kilo	Free + 4% *ad val.*
025-01-00-09	Other eggs	Kilo	2·50 + 4% *ad val.*
	(New headings).		
Decree No. 2961 of December 5, 1961.			
112-04-01	Aromatic bitter extracts, such as angostura bitters and the like	Litre	15·00 + 10% *ad val.*
112-04-03	Liqueurs and cordials, including mixtures	Litre	15·00 + 10% *ad val.*
112-04-04	Other distilled alcoholic beverages, n.e.s.	Litre	15·00 + 10% *ad val.*
899-15-01	Playing cards of all kinds	Kilo	10·00 + 20% *ad val.*

BARBADOS

Control of Prices

UNDER the Miscellaneous Controls (Control of Prices) (Amendment) (No. 6) Order, 1961, Legal Notice No. 177, the Barbados Government controls the maximum wholesale and retail prices of salted fish as from October 17, 1961. Copies of the Order and of any subsequent amendments thereto may be seen at the Export Services Branch, Board of Trade, Lacon House, Theobalds Road, London, W.C.2.

JAMAICA

Customs Tariff Changes

THE ITEM shown below has been approved by the Governor in Council as an article of use in the poultry industry and as such is exempt from Customs Duty under item 38(5) of the Second Schedule to the Jamaican Customs Tariff:

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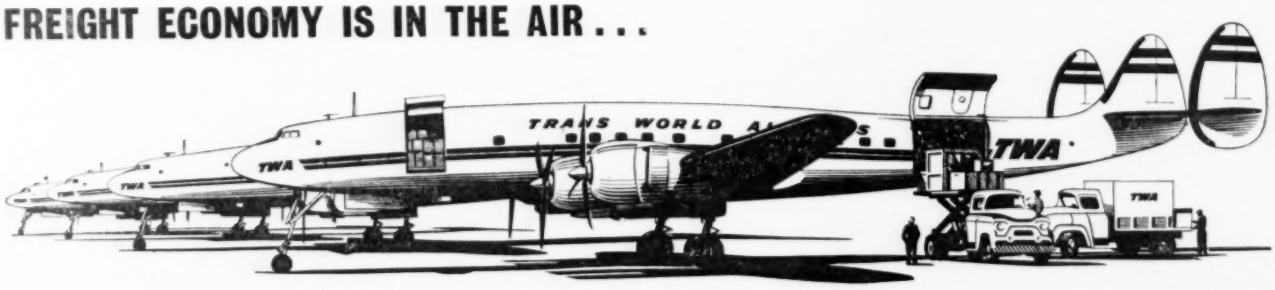

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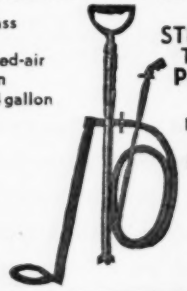

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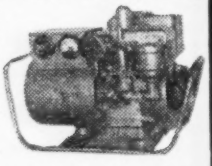

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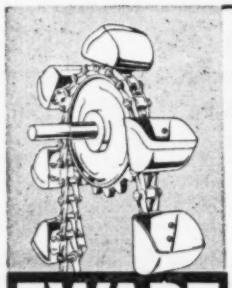

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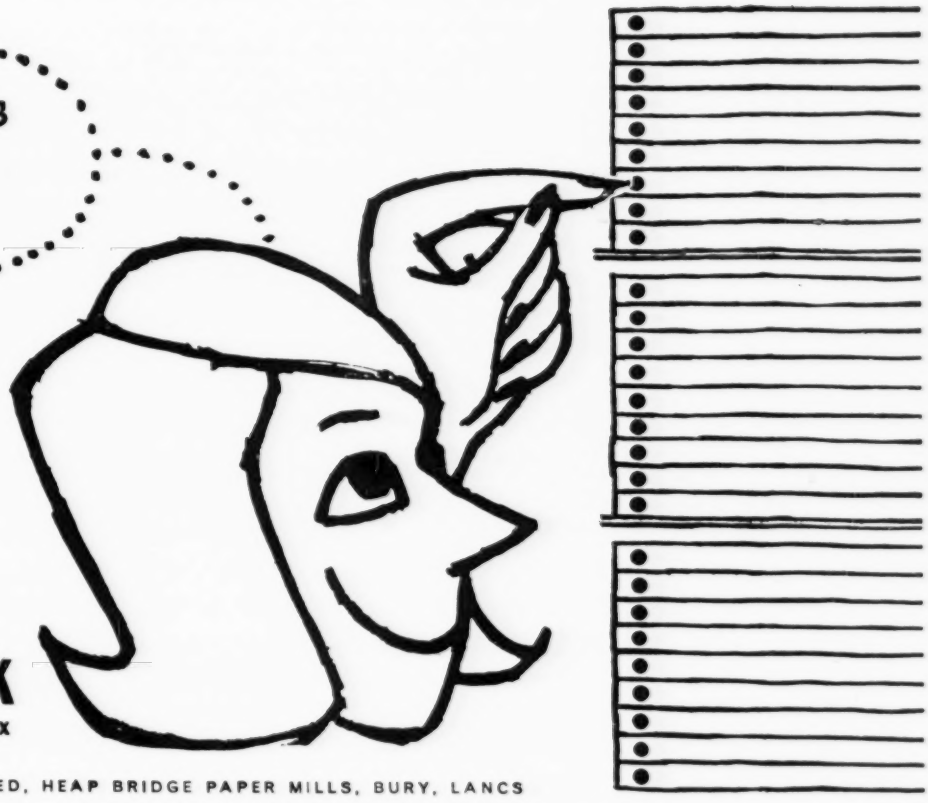

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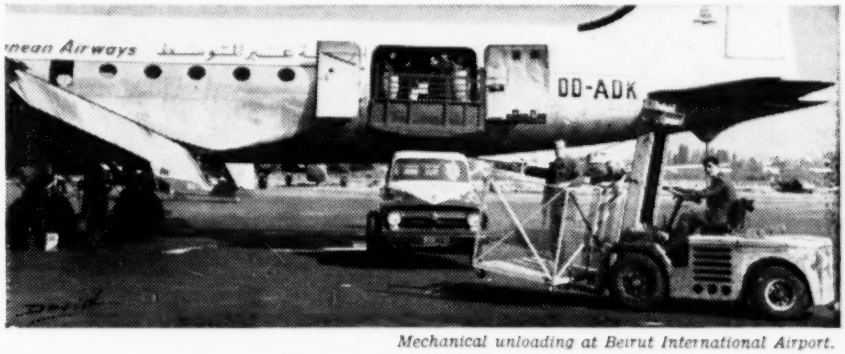

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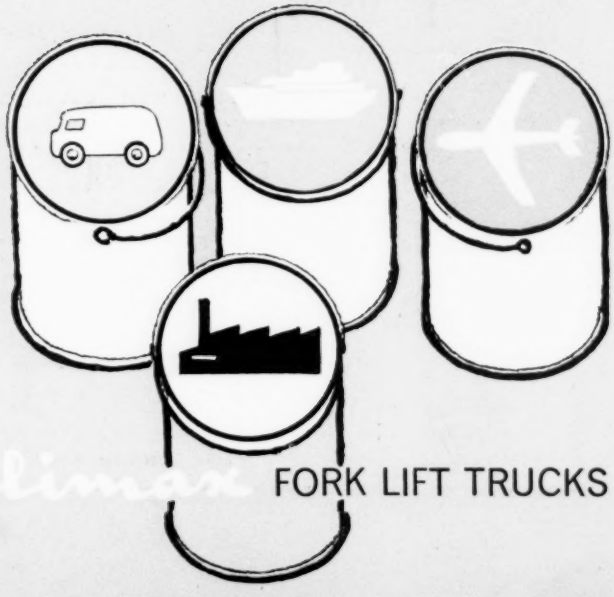

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